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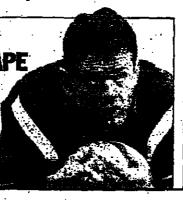
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New search law to tackle knives

Police given more powers against gangs

By Richard Ford, James Landale and Joanna Bale

POLICE are to be given new stop-and-search powers to crack down on gangs that carry knives as part of the Government's drive to destroy the culture of violence.

Michael Howard announced his proposals last night after meeting opposition spokesmen and talking to Frances Lawrence, launched her personal crusade for action in The Times last month after a youth was convicted of stabbing her headmaster husband to death outside his school.

Mr Howard intends to allow police to stop anyone they believe to be a member of a gang known to carry knives or other offensive weapons. At present they can apprehend people only if they have a reasonable suspicion that they have a weapon. This will provide great help to the police in tackling the problem of knives on the street," he said.

Mr Howard also plans to launch a nationwide publicity campaign to remind people of sisting and imminent laws on carrying knives, and the Advertising Standards Authority is to introduce spot checks on advertisements featuring knives and guns as part of an effort to reinforce its rules against provoking violence or antisocial behaviour. The Home Secretary will also have further talks with Labour and the Liberal Demo-

crats about outlawing combat knives. Mr Howard has said that difficulty in framing a legal definition has prevented him bringing forward such legislation, but the opposition parties believe that they are close to a workable draft which would avoid the need for a definition. The idea is to ban all knives and then exempt those used in the kitchen or for particular crafts, sports, industrial or trade purposes.



Frances Lawrence: "Rid streets of ugly weapons"

If the draft is agreed next week, it will go forward as a private member's Bili, sponsored by the Labour MP Jimmy Wray, who came first in the ballot for the right to introduce backbench legislation. Jack Straw, Labour's home affairs spokesman, who hopes the Government will take over and introduce the legislation, said: "We believe we are very close to achieving a workable change in the law. We want to see these combat knives taken out of circulation. their sale banned, as well as their marketing. We believe we have words to achieve

Alex Carlile of the Liberal Democrats added: "Every weapon you remove from the criminal armoury will reduce the number of offences of grievous bodily harm. It's as

simple as that."

Both Mr Straw and Mr Carlile met Mr Howard to discuss the crackdown yesterday and afterwards Mr Straw backed the new stop-andsearch powers, saying: "This is a welcome change to the police codes. It will help to deal with the kind of gangland scene which indirectly led to the tragic murder of Philip Lawrence. It is something wanted by the police and would be widely supported by the oublic."

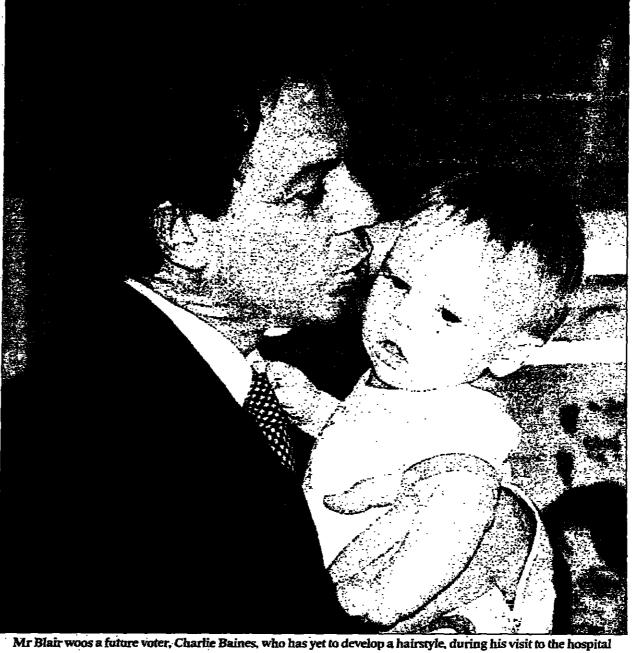
Mrs Lawrence, whose personal manifesto called for a ban on combat knives, also welcomed the initiative, although she said she did not see the need for a precise definition before steps could be taken to remove knives with names like "Rambo" and "The Vindicator* from the shops.

"I am particularly encouraged about the national publicity campaign the Govern-ment is to launch," she said. "I understand that it will be extended to schools - that seems to me excellent because it will allow young people to discuss these matters and foster a greater sense of indi-

vidual responsibility. "I am also pleased about the stop-and-search proposals. I am sure this is a worthwhile step in the process of ridding our streets of these ugly weapons. As for defining combat knives; to my mind the whole question is not about precise definitions, but about trying to find immediate and practical ways of reducing crimes with

The initiative on advertising is also welcome as a constructive step in tackling the culture of violence which those who market these knives unfortunately

The Advertising Standards Authority said that it was issuing a reminder to publishers and advertisers to exercise particular care when accepting advertisements featuring guns and knives. It has warned the media and advertisers that nothing should appear which condones or is likely to provoke violent or antisocial behaviour, and it is to hold talks with the Patent Office about the descriptions given to certain knives.



Blair cuts short debate on his hair

BY ANDREW PIERCE AND DAMIAN WHITWORTH

LABOUR'S damage limitation exercise over allegations that Tony Blair had flattened his hair to woo women voters backfired yesterday. It only confirmed Westminster's worst kept secret: Mr Blair is going bald.

The revelation came hours after denials of a front-page report in the Financial Times that Mr Blair had swapped the moral high ground for the hairdresser's salon to sway the disenchanted female vote.

"Pathetic," charged one senior Labour spin doctor about reports that Mr Blair had been advised by women Lab-our MPs to smooth down the bouffant. In an effort to dampen speculation, the offi-cial added: "It's the blackest day in the FT's proud history

Alastair Campbell, Mr Blair's press secretary, went further and gagged the Lab-our leader's hairdresser, Maurice John Miller, of Crawford Street, London. He has been cutting and blow drying Mr Blair's trademark bouffant for

ten years. Mr Blair, who was at Great Ormond Street Hospital yes-terday, accompanied by his wife, Cherie, as part of the new women-friendly strategy. stuck to the official party line. He said: "That story is a complete mystery to me. It's nonsense. As you can see. I'm unchanged."

Not quite. The war of Blair's hair took a new twist when the spin doctors, aware that the tonsorial debate might generate as many column inches as the American presidential election results, changed tack

They issued a lighthearted statement which confirmed that the Blair thatch, likened by a leading coiffeur to a Ryvita crispbread, was shrinking. In the statement Mr Blair declared: My problem is not changing my hair. It impressing the electorate with his youthful vigour. One official said: "In terms of style wars, the Prime Minister's full head of hair stands up and is counted in its own right." Leading article, page 23

not resist a swipe at Mr Blair.

who had always believed that

a full head of hair was a key to

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Tempers fly at airport baggage chaos

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THOUSANDS of bugs that should have been loaded on to British Airways international flights were stuck at Heath-row last night while their owners, thousands of miles away, furned impotently.

A combination of faults in the German-made baggagehandling system at Terminal 4 and a row with airport workers over working arrangements for dealing with the tide of transit luggage was being blamed for the chaos.

Last night hundreds of extra baggage handlers were being drafted in to cope with the baggage mountain which at one time reached 11,000 cases high. Yesterday, the third day of disruption, at least 8,000 cases still had to be cleared. But neither BA, which said there was only a backlog of 3,500 bags, nor the airport operator, British Airports Authority, was willing to accept full responsibility.

Tempers frayed as passeners had to wait for three hours for their luggage at carousels in Terminal 4. Oth-ers learnt that it might take two days before they could collect their baggage or have it sent on to their destination.

The BAA said the Siemens baggage-conveyor system had failed to work on Sunday and Tuesday. A software fault in the automatic system, installed by the authority, meant that transit bags had to be checked manually before being loaded on to connecting aircraft, But the BAA blamed the delays at Terminal 4 on new working methods introduced by the airline.

The Transport and General Workers Union said: "We are angry that what should be the flagship terminal should be subject to these delays." It said BA and the BAA should stop blaming each other.

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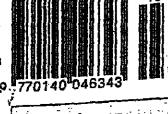
Tommy Lawton dies at 77

Tommy Lawton, the first Engsh footballer to break the 20,000 transfer barrier and one of the greatest centre-forwards, died after a long illness. He was 77. Lawton's best years as a player coincided with the War, but he played 23 times for England, scoring 22 goals .. Pages 25, 52

Airbus order

Airbus Industrie won the biggest civilian plane order, to sell up to 400 jets to USAir in a deal worth up to \$18 billion. The initial order is for 120 ____Page 27

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Clinton welcomed back with spate of top-job resignations

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT CLINTON, savouring his re-election, re-turned from Arkansas to a White House victory party yesterday and immediately faced a spate of resignations from the central figures of his first Administration.

Warren Christopher, the 71year-old Secretary of State, told Mir Clinton he wished to retire after the President's inauguration in January. William Perry, the 69-year-old Defence Secretary, said he planned to return to the private sector but would stay until a successor was found. Mickey Kantor told Mr Clinton that he wanted to step but sources said he might accept another post. Hazel O'Leary, the Energy Secretary, had also decided to resign but had little choice, having embarrassed the White House with lavish

Leon Panetta, the White House Chief of Staff, is determined to return to California as soon as his successor is appointed. George Stephanopoulos, the last survivor of Mr Clinton's 1992 campaign team, also intends to leave.

Mr Clinton carried 31 of the 50 states and won nearly 50 per cent of the popular vote on Tuesday, but the Republican Party retained control of Congress. The President called his re-election a victory for the

"vital centre". He urged the Republicans to abandon the intense parti-san warfare of the past two years and "put country ahead of party" by working with him. But the Republicans gave a warning that they would continue their relentless investigation of the scandals that marred his first four years. Leading contenders to re-

place Mr Christopher included Madeleine Albright, the UN ambassador.

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will make it to a second term?"

School lessons

Gillian Shephard announced an unprecedented set of measures to revive The Ridings School after an inspectors' report confirmed that the school was failing Page 6

Major warns Chirac over **EMU rules**

JOHN MAJOR will fly to France today to warn President Chirac against using creative accounting to achieve the strict convergence criteria

for a single currency.
The Prime Minister will use the Anglo-French summit which starts tomorrow in Bordeaux to emphasise the need to stick to the rules in the

Maastricht treaty. Last week the European Commission ruled that a ploy by the French to use a one-off payment from France Telecom to cut its budget deficit was acceptable, but critics say that the transfer smacks of creative accounting.

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down as Commerce Secretary. Rural Greek Postmen see off God's Chewable Vitamin C Highlights in the History of Concrete. Elsewhere Classified [HMSO]. Old last year. Its rarefied appeal is likely to BY JASON COWLEY

AFTER fierce debate and accusations that the judges did not read all the entries, the 1996 award for the oddest book title of the year has been won by well, Greek Rural Postmen and Their Cancellation Numbers. Published by the Hellenic Philatelic Sociery, the winner was chosen from a possible entry of 90,000 titles, the number of books published in Britain

be limited to stamp collectors with an interest in Greek postmarks.

The Diagram Prize for the Oddest Title of the Year, established by the Bookseller magazine, has been running for 17 years. In a vintage crop of oddities there were many potential winners: the judges' shortlist included God's Chewable Vitamin C for the Spirit (Stardust Publishers) and Manufacture of Domestic Appliances Not

Tractors and the Men Who Love Them (Haynes), and Holding the Line: The Telephone in Old Order Mennonite and Amish Life (Johns Hopkins University Press) also had their supporters. Previous winners have included Proceedings of the Second International Workshop on Nude Mice, Oral Sadism and the Vegetarian Personality. Versailles: the View From Sweden, How To Avoid Huge Ships and

There was no award in 1987 and 1991 because of a dearth of odd titles. Horace Bent, chairman of the judges, said that true oddity could only be unintentional. "We ask ourselves, will the title one chooses still be considered odd in 10, 20, or even 50 years' time? We feel this year's winner will prove to be one of lasting worth. The winning entry earns a bottle of champagne for Clare Gilliam, who submitted it.

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European power surge kills plan to clean up on the Continent

took place across the Commons floor yesterday on how and where to plug in a vacuum cleaner. The discussion was prompted by a question to industry ministers from Sir Mark Lennox-Boyd (C. Morecambe & Lonsdale) about a mysterious body called CENELEC. From the answer given by the junior minister, Richard Page, it seemed this was the inter-European cockpit for discussion of electrical matters.

Page rold MPs that CENE-

LEC had decided not to harmonise plugs and sockets across the Continent. He supported the decision.

It was then that Mr Page revealed an unsuspected side of his nature. He is an easygoing rightwinger in the carpetslippers-and-Viyella-pyjamas mould; few would see him as a New Man. But there he stood, admitting it was a pity you would remain unable to plug in your Hoover in Calais, and also in Dover".

The minister did not explain why he or anyone else would want to plug in his Hoover in Calais and also in Dover. Many Tory MPs do expect to be looking for another job after the election, but the thought of Mr Page running some kind of cross-Channel domestic-cleaning service, lugging his Hoover on and off the Sealink ferry, surprised us.

Picture him in French maid's apron and feather duster on the Calais doorstep. Estce que je puis passer l'aspirateur sur votre tapis. Madame? Où est la prise de courant? Zut alors! Cest une



MATTHEW PARRIS **POLITICAL SKETCH**

prise à deux fiches? Je suis désolé que ça ne va pas. MPs are never happier than when debate turns to something they actually know

something about. Cycling, fishing. Hoovering ... such discussion being rare in our super-complicated high-tech pathetic relief. Quick to leap

up next was Labour's Denis MacShane (Rotherham). The other MPs are jealous of MacShane because he spent some years working for the International Metalworkers' Federation and living (in style, they assume) in Geneva.

They call him "the Member for Geneva Central". With his rogueish grin, sharp intellect style, MacShane strikes the Sir Bufftons of this world as the sort of fellow who might wear red braces, and cheat at croquet. "The hon gentleman lives in a cocooned world . . . drawled MacShane.

"Unlike you, in Geneva." came the heckle, but Mac-Shane persisted. European plugs and sockets should be harmonised, he said. When he travelled with my laptop, my mobile phone and my fax machine he was continually frustrated by non-standard

tered jeering could be heard. Richard Page called Mac-Shane "an elderly, jetsetting yuppie". Considering that Page is 55 and MacShane is

8, this was pretty rich. Then came an unexpected newcomer to our debate on white goods and electronics: 2 Sheffield lawyer. Spencer Ba-tiste (C. Elmet). To find a lawyer at Westminster who can switch an appliance on, let alone plug it in, would be un-usual, but Batiste's knowledge goes wider. "Madam Speak-

er," he said, "you can buy an adaptor." With this, explained Batiste, MacShane could plug in his laptop anywhere. But what about Mr. Page's

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cross Channel Hoover? As we go to print, this sketch's inforrouse mation is that some travelplug adaptors, being fused might not take the current needed for vacuum cleaners The Speaker, being a

woman, was less interested in household trivia. She seemed to entertain some erazy motion that the Commons had more important issues to address.

lose over £100m in **VAT ruling**

By JASON NISSE

HOSPITAL trusts will lose up to £150 million after a ruling that they cannot recover VAT payments dating back more than three years.

A government pledge made in 1984 that hospital trusts which contracted out services would be able to reclaim the tax has been overruled by Customs and Excise. New regulations have limited claims for VAT recovery to a maximum of three years, and then only if claims were sub-mitted before September 20 this year. Trusts which failed to meet the dealine will be entitled to only one year's back tax. Some hospitals have

claims dating to 1984 Chris Smith, the Shadow Health Secretary, demanded that Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, press Treasury ministers to change the ruling or offer more government money. Accountants have estimated that between £100 million and £150 million of VAT may not now be recovered by the trusts.

Bob Jones, of accountants Neville Russell, said: "This is discriminatory against many trusts which merely followed government policy and are now having to fund the costs of the VAT out of their patient

care budget. The trusts are also unhappy about the way Customs has handled the change. It made no formal announcement about reducing the cut-off date for back claims, merely writing to those trusts which had submitted claims to inform them of the ruling.

NHS trusts Infertility linked to rapid spread of infectious disease

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

A NATIONAL screening programme to combat a rapidly spreading infectious disease that is responsible for one third of cases of infertility is to be considered by the Chief Medical Officer next week.

Sir Kenneth Calman is urgently seeking the advice of medical experts on how to deal with the sexually transmitted disease chlamydia, which affects up to one in five sexually active women in Britain. Chlamydia is often impossible to detect until it is too late, resulting in infection causing irreversible damage to the reproductive tract. If identified at an early stage, the disease can be easily cured with a single dose of antibiotics.

In Europe, screening is commonplace and has led to a marked fall in the number of cases and in the incidence of infertility. Health experts say screening would save millions of pounds in hospital bills.

Cases of pelvic inflammatory disease have risen by 50 per cent in Britain in the last ten years - from 470 to 700 per 100,000 women at risk — but have fallen sharply in countries which have screen-

ing programmes.
Next week's meeting will consider proposals for pre-venting the disease with a simple screening test and one dose treatment with antibiotics. A report by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists to a meeting of

specialists in London today says Britain is out of step. Allan Templeton, Professor of obstetrics and gynaecology at Aberdeen University, who

chaired the college's expert study group on the disease, said: This is an eminently detectable, curable disease with very clear evidence that we can prevent major complications. 'It is the commonest sexu-

ally transmitted disease in Europe, way above any other. We have a modern health service in Britain to rival any in Europe but we are like Latvia when we compare what have achieved Chlamydia is normally

symptomless in women until it ascends the reproductive tract to the fallopian tubes, causing pelvic inflammatory disease.



Calman: calling urgent talks with health experts

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This can result in permanent damage to the tubes, leading to infertility and ectopic preg-nancy. Chlamydia also affects men, causing the sexually transmitted disease non-specific urethritis.

In Britain studies show that 3 to 10 per cent of women attending family planning clinics carry the micro-organism but the proportion rises to more than 20 per cent among those seeking abortion. A quarter of those suffer pelvic

infection after the operation. Professor Templeton said: suspect a high proportion of those lead to infertility. But if you screen for and treat the chlamydia you can reduce the infection rate to 4 per cent."

Professor Templeton said that new DNA-based tests have become available in the last two years which could be conducted on a urine sample and make national screening possible. The tests cost £15 but this could come down if they were bought in bulk.

In the US, the cost of treating pelvic inflammatory disease is estimated at \$10 billion (£6 billion) and many women have to undergo hys-

Peter Greenhouse, consultant gynaecologist at Ipswich Hospital, said the potential gains from screening for chlamydia were immense. In Sweden, pelvic inflammatory disease has practically disapsengers as "dreadful human



Just the ticket: Steven Norris appears to have found an income after politics

Ex-Transport Minister plans to make a million on the buses

POLITICAL REPORTER

STEVEN NORRIS, the former Transport Minister, philanderer and author appears to have found a new career on the buses. A month after his autobiography was pub-lished giving as many details of his five mistresses as his policies, Mr Norris has landed a £100,000 job as Chairman of Capital City Bus. A couple of years ago the

former Transport Minister berated public transport pasbeings" and made it clear he could not bear being cooped up with hoi polloi.

Nr Norris, a former used car salesman, is standing down as an MP at the next election and is looking for work.Mr Norris confirmed yesterday he was having talks with the Dagenham-based Capital City Bus, which has 260 services operating in the north-east quarter of the capi-tal from Trafalgar Square to Potters Bar. He has made it clear that he wants to return to the private sector and earn some money. "I have made a highly."

million before and I will make it again," said Mr Norris, who first made his money from car dealerships. His appointment will have to be approved by the Cabinet, but with former ministers as senior as Dogulas Hurd all finding sinecures, it would be difficult

for them to oppose it.

Leon Daniels, joint managing director of Capital, said he was "chuffed to bits" at gaining such a high-profile addition to the company. He said:
We rate him extremely

Escape of followed disorder

who escaped on Tuesday after hijacking a coach were at the time, being transferred to other jails after incidents which had threatened disorder at a Suffolk prison.

They were part of a group of ten who had been identified as involved in trouble which broke out at Blundeston jail near Lowestoft last week involving rival gangs. Yesterday the Prison Officers Association condemmed the decision by the Prison Service to transfer known troublemaks, ers in a commercially hired coach rather than in a secure

Healey clash

Lord Healey of Riddlesden, the former Labour Chancel-lor, has advised a Blair government to allow inflation up to 10 per cent to boost growth and employment. His view, in New Statesman, differs from that of Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, who favours caution over spending.

No GCHO union

Government's communica-tions centre in Cheltenham suffered a setback when officials announced that the Government Communications Staff Federation had been refused independent frade

Briton shot dead

Police in America were last night hunting a gunman be lieved to have murdered his former girifriend and her British boyfriend. Theodore Widdowes, 30, is believed to have shot Rhoda Priebe, 32, and James Hancox, 32, from Gloucestershire, at a carayan park in Nevada,

Guerin arrests

Irish police arrested six men and a woman yesterday in connection with the murder of Veronica Guerin, the investigative reporter who was shot dead in Dublin. An EU drugs conference in Dublin yesterday was told that drugs had almost vanished from the city since a police crime purge.

Loch clean-up

The bed of a Scottish loch is to be cleaned of debris that might have come from ernment disclosed in a Commons written reply yesterday. Responsibility for Holy Lach will then be transcribed the Ministry of Defence to will then be transferred from civil authorities.

Editors alter code

Editors have tightened their own code preventing newspapers from paying criminal trial witnesses after the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, threatened to Clashfern, threatened make payments a criminal offence. In future editors will tell lawyers what deals have been struck.

Complete picture

Two halves of a Canaletto may be reunited for the first time since they left the artist's studio. One section of his view of the Thames is in Norfolk while the other is in Cuba-Havana has refused to sell its section to the National Trust

Irish given referendum on tougher bail laws

BY AUDREY MAGEE IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE Irish are being promised a reduction in crime if they vote this month for changes to the bail laws. The changes would bring Irish law in line with Britain, making it easier for judges to refuse bail. At the moment bail in Ireland can be refused only if there is proof that the accused will abscond or interfere with witnesses.

The Government is asking the public in a referendum to agree to a third category which refuses bail if the ac-cused is considered likely to

Official figures show that 5 per cent of detected crime is committed by people on bail but police say privately that the level is much higher.

Public demands for changes in the law reached a crescendo last June when the Dublin journalist Veronica Guerin was shot dead. There was a widespread perception that criminals were taking over Irish society. The Government introduced an anti-crime package which included the promise of a referendum on bail on November 28.

Dick Spring, leader of the Labour Party, a traditional opponent of bail restrictions, yesterday urged people to vote for the amendment. But the Right to Bail campaign says the change will undermine the presumption of innocence.

Ulster is high on Clinton agenda, pledges Mitchell

By Nicholas Watt and Audrey Mager ment which has clearly helped

PRESIDENT Clinton will continue to place the search for peace in Northern Ireland high on his agenda. George Mitchell, the chairman of the multi-party talks at Stormont, said yesterday. However, it now seems unlikely that the President will make a planned visit to Dublin next month. As politicians on both sides of the border welcomed Mr

Clinton's re-election, Mr. Mitchell said in Belfast: "The President has roots here. He has a very keen personal interest in what is occurring and wants to be helpful and supportive. I think that interest will remain very high." Mr Mitchell, a former Senator and Mr Clinton's unofficial envoy to Northern Ireland, chaired a full session of talks

at Stormont yesterday.

John Bruton, the Irish Prime Minister, led the crossparty tributes to Mr Clinton in the Dublin Parliament. He described the President as a ereat and consistent friend of freland", adding: "We as a country have much to be grateful for in respect of President Clinton's first term and we look forward to his

second term." His comments were echoed by Gerry Adams, President of Sinn Fein. He said: "President Clinton's even-handed approach to the search for peace has been a critical engage-

push the situation forward." In his first two years in office. Unionists criticised Mr Clinton for pandering to republicans in an attempt to win the Irish-American vote. However, the President has tried to be even-handed in his dealings with Northern Ireland and has welcomed Unionists to the White House. It is a measure of his success that Unionists barely said a word about his re-election

yesterday. However, the Ulster Union-ists did praise he commitment to economic regeneration in Northern Ireland and his efforts to understand the Unionist viewpoint. Reg Empey, the party's vice president, said: The US administration is still tilted to the nationalists. But it has become more balanced, and we hope to strengthen our relationship with the US administration. Mr Clinton's visit to the

Republic would have come exactly a year after his historic visit to Ireland. The President was due to hold a summit in Dublin with Mr Bruton to mark the end of ireland's six month presidency of the European Union. It is understood that Mr Bruton will travel to Washington instead.

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but has agreed to a possible temporary joint exhibition.

Hundreds turn out for Collins film

BY AUDREY MAGEE AND NICHOLAS WATT

IT IS the most eagerly awaited event in Irish cinema since Oscar-winning Ryan's Daughter in 1970. The contrast between the openings of Michael Collins north and south of the border could not be

Neil Jordan's movie about the IRA leader Michael Collins received two premieres, in Cork and Dublin, last night. In Ulster it will open tomorrow amid concern that the portrayal of the man credited with inventing 20th Century terrorism will heighten tensions in the

John Bruton, the Irish Prime Minister,

went to the reception and screening in Cork while his opposition Fianna Fail leader, Bertie Ahern, opted for the Dublin show.

The stars managed to be present at both. Actors Liam Neeson and Stephen Rea, and director Neil Jordan were among the many who flew 150 miles from Cork, Collins' home town, to Dublin for the premiere in the capital city. There were hundreds of people on the streets in both cities to welcome the film.

The Irish are proud of the film depicting one of the most charismatic leaders of the Irish fight for independence from British rule. Nora Owen, the Irish minister for justice, a grand-niece of

Collins who was at the Dublin premiere said: "It does not glorify violence." Warner Brothers are hoping it will break the box office record currently held by JurassiciPark which grossed £3.1 million. It has an open certificate, allowing

children to see it. There will be a low-profile opening in Ulster John Cole, the BBC's former political editor who is from the Province; has described the film as a "deceitful piece of republican propaganda which could "cause people to be killed in my native land". Security sources do not expect the film to provoke trouble.

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QC suggests police were misled to believe Frances Shand Kydd was drunk

Unsteady walk of Princess's mother aroused suspicion

BY SHIRLEY ENGLISH

THE mother of Diana, Princess of Wales walked unsteadily across an Oban street. bumping into parked vehicles before getting into her car and driving off, a court was told

yesterday. Frances Shand Kydd, 60, was watched by an off-duty police officer, who immediate ly suspected she was drunk She was stopped ten minutes later and taken to Oban police

Mrs Shand Kydd appeared at Oban Sheriff Court charged with driving while two and a half times over the alcohol limit and failing to provide a breath test on Good Friday this year. She has denied both charges.

Constable Iain Duncan, 25, based at Oban police station, said that he was walking his dog when he saw Mrs Shand Kydd cross the street in Oban to reach her green Cavalier. which was parked almost opposite the police station.

"She seemed to be very unsteady on her feet. That is what attracted my attention to her. The car she got into was parked directly behind another vehicle. So to get to her driving seat she had to negotiate between the two cars. As she approached she bumped into the back of the taken to Oban police station car parked in front of hers. She then bumped into the front of her car. She then went round to the driver's side and drove away.*

Andrew Hardie, QC, Dean of the Faculty of Advocates and head of Mrs Shand Kydd's four-strong defence team, asked whether the man-ner of her walking could have been explained by a leg injury, to which Constable Duncan said it "could be". Mrs Shand Kydd was

stopped about ten minutes later by Constable Michael Woods, who had been alerted by radio. Special Constable Andrew Buchanan, 34, who was with him at the time, described to Sheriff William Dunlop how Mrs Shand Kydd appeared to have difficulty when asked to get out of her car. He said she dung to the vehicle as she walked round to

the passenger side.
Asked by Mr Hardie whether he noticed a bandage on her leg, he said he did not. Mr Buchanan described how a crowd of about six people gathered to watch and he agreed that that might be alarming for the defendant. Mrs Shand Kydd, who lives on the Isle of Seil, Argyll, was

and allegedly refused to un-dergo a breath test. She was held in a cell until Dr Colin Wilson, 40, arrived to take a blood sample. The sample was divided in two and one phial was offered to Mrs Shand Kydd, which she declined to take, Dr Wilson said. The GP said Mrs Shand

Kydd did not smell of alcohol and her speech was not slurred as he recalled. Asked whether he thought she had been drinking, he said: She appeared to be acting in a disinhibited manner. She was sitting in a slightly relaxed manner." He denied a sugges-tion that he had failed to gain Mrs Shand Kydd's consent for the sample to be taken. David Hall, 32, a police

forensic scientist, said he subjected the blood sample to six rigorous tests. He found 206mg of alcohol in 100ml of blood, exceeding the 80mg limit. He rejected defence suggestions that the gas spectrometer machines might have been contaminated. Tests provided for a margin of error and at the peak reading Mrs Shand Kydd's blood sample showed 224mg of alcohol.

The case was adjourned



Mrs Shand Kydd arriving at Oban court to deny two drink-driving charges

Tarmac gang get 10 years for extortion racket

By A Staff Reporter

TWO members of a Tarmac gang who sent a hearse to a businessman's home after he refused to pay their extortionate fees were each jailed for ten years yesterday. The gang extorted nearly £100,000 from small businesses in the North of England by threatening to maim staff and burn down offices if they were not paid.

Lincoln Crown Court was told that Jeffrey Miles, a businessman in Leeds, accepted an offer to repair the carpark at his company for £25. When the job was completed, he was told the price was actually £25 a square yard and he owed £5,500. Timothy Spencer, for the prosecution. said: 'Mr Miles later went home, having not paid any money. Twenty minutes later there was a knock at the door. It was representatives from a firm of funeral directors who said they had come to collect the body of a Mr Miles. It was a sick and chilling threat.

"Shortly after that a hearse arrived. Then at 9pm there was a phone call from a man who called himself Paddy, making further threats." Mr Spencer said that the following day Mr Miles agreed to hand over \$1,000 plus VAT for the work, which was "of a very poor standard".

Another businessman was reduced to tears after the gang threatened to cut out his liver and eat it in front of his family. Staff at another firm were so terrified that they turned out their pockets and handed over every penny they had between them just to get rid of the gang. When police, tipped off by a

firm in Scunthorpe, raided the offices of K&L Surfacing in Doncaster, they discovered documents that led them to 39 victims. Leonard Killgallon, 41, of Doncaster, and Shane Grey,

36, of East Witton, North Yorkshire, had denied seven sample charges of blackmail. A third man - Paddy - who was said to have issued the threats of violence, has never been traced. Judge Heath described the operation as a "slick, well-

rehearsed routine" which extorted over £95,000 from businesses. He told the two men: "You offered loads of Tarmac to be supplied at extraordinarily low prices and then came back with hugely inflated demands. Very nasty and unpleasant threats were issued. Some of your victims were terrified."

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After the case DC Andy Lindsley of Scunthorpe CID said: These men were two thirds of a well rehearsed team of blackmailers. Some of the threats they made were absolutely horrendous. They instilled such fear in their victims that when they saw the backs of them they just wanted to forget it.

"The victims were left devastated in many cases. Several described what happened as the worst day of their lives."

£10,000 lottery win illegal after son buys ticket

By JOANNA BALE

A HIGH Court judge ruled yesterday that it was illegal for a 15-year-old boy to buy a National Lottery scratchcard for his mother and that she was not entided to the £10,000

Despite the ruling, Camelot, the lottery organisers, hinted that Prudence Beech and her son Clayton would be allowed to keep some of the money, which they had already col-lected. A spokesman said: "We have no wish to be vindictive and are hoping to reach an agreement with Mrs Beech which will be satisfactory to all concerned."

Clayton bought the UK Treasures Instants ticket from a newsagent near his home in Scholar Green, Cheshire in October last year. After discovering that it was a winning ticket, he returned with his mother to the shop to

claim the prize. When Camelot found from the national press that the ticket had been bought by a child under 16 they called in the police, who decided not to prosecute. Camelot went to the High Court to clarify the law after agreeing to pay Mrs Beech's costs and asking her not to spend the money until the case was settled.

· Mr Justice Blackburne said that he had to decide whether a minor acting as an agent for an adult could legally buy a lottery ticket or scratchcard. He said the law governing the National Lottery provided for protecting minors from "expo-sure to the temptation and dangers of cambling".
If there were a loophole

allowing youngsters to buy tickets for others, it would encourage children to say they were buying them for their



parents and lead them to dishonesty. He said it would have made-no difference if Clayton had said at the newsagent that he was buying the ticket on behalf of his mother.

Before the ruling, the judge in the lottery and asked Andrew Fletcher, Camelot's bairister, to explain the game.

A spokesman for Mrs Beech, who was not in court, said: "She feels she has not

done anything wrong and that is why she thinks she should hold onto the money." Mrs Beech said in her affidavit: "At no time was it intended that Clayton should use his own money nor would I encourage Clayton to gamble."

No action has been taken against the newsagent, Supershop, who claimed that they asked Clayton his age and he lied. He denies this, the court was told. A spokesman for Oflot, the lottery regulator, declined to comment on the legality of Camelot's intention to pay money to Mrs Beech.



Clayton Beech, 15, went

BY EMMA WILKINS

A KENNEL maid who found a spider in her lunch-box claimed her life was made a misery by pranks played at work, an industrial tribunal

Gail Hawkins, 20, said she felt humiliated during nearly two years working at the Precious Pets quarantine kennels in Newnham, Gloucestershire. Mrs Hawkins, who is claiming breach of contract at the tribunal in Bristol, denied that she herself had played practical jokes.

When Guy Tamplin, the kennel manager, told her in May that she was being dismissed. Mrs Hawkins was shocked and upset, she told the tribunal. "I thought I had the best job in the world working with the animals." But she had not enjoyed going to work "wondering what was going to happen to me next".

Mrs Hawkins, who is afraid of spiders, believed it had been placed in the box as a joke but did not see anyone putting it there. On one occasion, the manager suggested she visit a doctor in case she had contracted hookworm — a para-site from dogs. Mrs Hawkins discovered that it was a very difficult disorder to catch and learnt later that it was a joke, the tribunal was told.

Mr Tamplin claimed his staff had urged him to sack Mrs Hawkins because they did not like her. Melanie Giles, the manageress, said Mrs Hawkins's claims that she had been victimised were ridiculous: "If ever there was a case of a person back-tracking incidents and events and misconstraing them for her own ends, this is it. She never complained about anything." Judgment was reserved.

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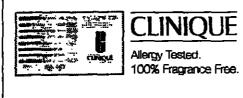
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Gentle world of the greens is hit by storm in a bowls cup

THE gentle click of wood on wood and the murmurs of appreciation around closecropped greens were rudely interrupted on finals day in the Steeple Bumpstead Bowls League with a row that has led to allegations of hooliganism and dictatorship, and a life ban for two players. Champion bowlers Eric Moule and Keith Bloomfield have been barred from all the grounds in the north Essex villages league after allegedly a applauding only their own team mates and, worse, arguing with the official who remonstrated with them. Mr Bloomfield is even accused ofswearing at the official and

giving him a V-sign.

A letter from the league's chairman Brian Richer to the clubs in the league accuses

Bloomfield, 57, of taunting the opposition during a match between their club, Lucas, and a team from Haverhill in

When the league official approached them and asked them to be sportsmen and to stop the gibes and applaud all good woods, Mr Bloomfield informed the official he was there to support his own team only," the letter says. It also claims that Mr Bloomfield swore and gave a V-sign. The management committee cannot and will not have its officials spoken to in that manner either in private or in public," it continues, before banning both men.

Mr Moule, a retired cabinet maker who has been playing bowls for 13 years yesterday described the committee's attitude as "high-handed and

arrogant". He said at his home in Sudbury, Suffolk: They are acting like dictators. We were sitting at the side after winning the Walter Smith Cup and were watching our members in the triples. Naturally we clapped when they did well." Mr Moule denied there had been any bad language or V-signs. "We are going to appeal against the ruling. It's abso-lutely disgraceful that we have been found guilty with-out a trial of any sort," he said. That does not seem very

The bowls rulebook has no specific rules about sportsmanship but in a preface it says: "In the absence of any express law, common sense will find a way to complete a happy solution to a knotty

sporting."

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Blair prepares for charm offensive to close gender gap

AS President Clinton rode to victory yesterday with the help of a heavy endorsement from women voters. Tony Blair's advisers were striving for the formula that would help their man do the same in a few Behind an uproarious de-

bate at Westminster over whether Mr Blair had flattened his bouffant style to appeal to disenchanted women lay a far more serious problem that is exercising Labour strategists.

The hair may be a tiny part of the problem — although Mr Blair admitted his difficulty was keeping it rather than changing it. In recent weeks, however, after discussions within the party's National Executive Committee and the Shadow Cabinet, Labour has been trying to find ways of closing the gender gap. Labour's policies and big political speeches are to be geared

ever more to attract women. When they had done their job of denouncing the Financial Times for its levity in running a story about Mr. Blair's hair on its front page — a black day in the history of the newspaper, a source close to Mr Blair said - Labour strategists admitted privately that Mr Blair was very aware of the need to do more to appeal to women voters; a recent. MORI survey found that 48 per cent of women were satisfied with his performance as

60 per cent of men. Labour is much more popular with women generally than the Conservatives. However, when Mr Blair's rating fell sharply earlier this year women deserted him more than men; the group on which he has to do most work are over 35. The position has improved substantially in re-

Labour leader compared with

believe that most men have made up their minds about how they will vote. The women's vote is much more volatile; women, they think, are also likely to be more cautious about changing parties. "Women are not gamblers and if they feel they are getting slightly better off they might think twice before thinking of coming over."

Through gritted teeth Labour strategists concede that

one of the big secrets of Margaret Thatcher's success was her ability to persuade women that she understood their problems as the side of the partnership that thought and cared most about money and the general well-being of the family. They may not have liked her but somehow they felt she was on their







has to do the same thing." Not surprisingly Labour denies that its own poll and focus group" findings accord with Tory claims that Mr Blair is as "smarmy". They admit, however, that some women find it difficult to relate to him. Over the next few weeks Mr Blair can be expected to be talking in less grand terms about the economy. His advisers want him to talk

benchers the message from Mr Blair since Frances Lawrence launched the morality debate has gone down particularly well with women.

John Major is marginally less popular among men than women and among Tory voters he is more popular among women. One myth can, however, be nailed: the current perception that women generally regard Mr Major more highly than Mr Blair, MORI's latest finding has the Labour

employed by many MPs, thought that Mr Blair still had a lot of work to do to win over women. "Before he had the bouffant chopped off his hair created the impression that he spent too much time in front of the mirror with a roller brush. "For many women the Prime Minister, despite his voice, still appears to be more masculine. Tony Blair needs

voice coaching. He does not

through it. "Apart from the voice, he does not speak enough from

the heart. He appears to be programmed. Women are turned off. They are better judges than men. They were not impressed when he came down so hard on Clare Short. She is popular with women."

trailed behind the Tories with women. We have done enormous work to bridge the gap. We have to ensure that the frontbench does not sound as if it knows only about the balance of payments." Major's footsteps as a guest on Radio 4's Desert Island Discs. The programme will be broad-

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Long and short of mouse life

By Nigel Hawkes SCIENCE EDITOR

A DWARF breed of mice which live much longer than the normal variety may hold.

clues to the ageing process. American scientists have found that a species called Ames dwarf mice, which are deficient in growth hormone, outlive the normal mouse's two-year span by another year if they are males and longer if they are females. The Ames mice are normal size at birth but because of their inability to make various hormones never grow to more than a

third of adult size. Dr Holly Brown-Borg of the University of North Dal and colleagues found that normal mice lived between 500 and 1,100 days. The dwarf mice lived to an average 1,076 days if males and 1,206 if

The team suggests in Na-ture that reduced body size and hormone changes may be responsible. Small breeds of dogs and horses tend to live longer, and the team suggests that shorter people may live longer than taller people. though without citing

us to make clear that it does not believe that ME/CFS is

due to a specific organic cause

for the boy's school career.

New cancer link to

They studied DNA from white blood cells, looking for ase 2. which makes an enzyme that helps to detoxify cigarette three particular mutations on the gene were four times more likely to contract breast

The results were given at a conference in Budapest last month and will be published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. This week's New Scientist

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smoking

arettes a day can quadruple a woman's chances of breast cancer if she carries a particu-

have this mutation, which makes it harder for the body to neutralise the carcinogens in cigarette smoke. A team from the US National Cancer Institute in Washington DC and the National Centre for Toxicological Research in Arkansas compared 324 New York women suffering from breast cancer with 327 healthy

summarises the conclusions.

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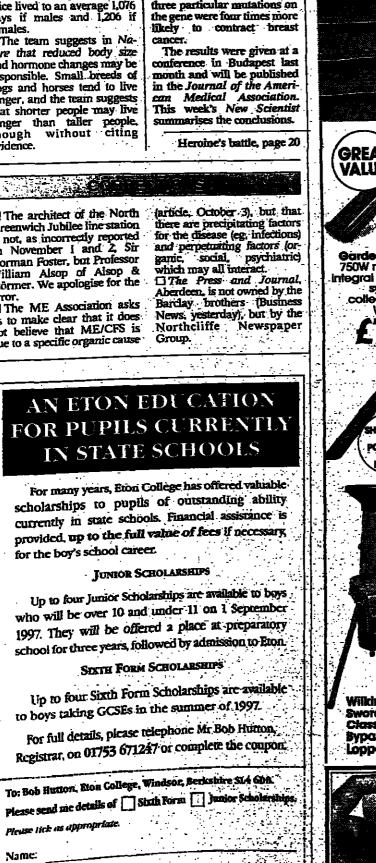
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YOU CAN DO IT WHEN YOU B&Q IT!

Hair apparent, still: Tony Blair has admitted that his difficulty has not been in changing his bouffant hairstyle but in keeping it leader well ahead. Mary sound sincere. But the idea he Spillane, an image consultant should start talking about household bills is a turn-off. Women will see straight

Shephard gives Ridings a month to improve

Failings too bad for normal plan

By JOHN O'LEARY AND PAUL WILKINSON

nounced an unprecedented set of measures to revive The Ridings School yesterday after a damning report by inspectors had confirmed that the school was failing.

The Education and Employment Secretary blamed teachers and managers for the collapse of discipline that led to the Halifax school's closure last week. She halved the time normally given to governors to produce an action plan and ordered formightly visits by inspectors while concern continued over standards.

Mrs Shephard gave the governors and local authority a month to convince her not to send in a "hit squad" to run the school. She said the failings were too serious to follow the normal procedures.

As The Ridings reopened to sixth-formers and GCSE students, the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers withdrew its strike threat. But Nigel de Gruchy, the union's



Shephard: clear link

GILLIAN SHEPHARD an- general secretary, said that half a dozen other schools

the whole country will be grateful to the NASUWT, and I will do the same thing again

blamed the school's failure on all the parties involved: a minority of disruptive pupils, bad teaching and a lack of support from the school's governors and the local authority. Two fifths of the lessons observed were considered unsatisfactory and the same proportion of pupils were leaving school without any qualifica-tions. Mrs Shephard said: "Where teaching is poor and expectations are low, pupils are bored and behaviour deteriorates. The experience of other failing schools shows a clear link between poor teach-

She was equally critical of Calderdale education authority. She urged it to submit iself for a voluntary inspection by Ofsted. But the authority said in response that only last year another government minister had turned down a request for £5.54 million regeneration funding, half of which had been earmarked for The Ridings and other schools in the area.

The authority is to introduce a ten-point plan in the wake of the Ofsted report to give The Ridings what it calls a "fresh start". The local authority will take direct control of the school from the governors. The Rev Stan Brown, the

were in a similar state.

Mr de Gruchy said he had no regrets about the union's role in bringing maners to a head at the school. He accepted that some of his members might lose their jobs. "I think

The inspectors' report

they had been happy to accept the change. It is not a takeover; we are amateurs and in these particular ciring and poor behaviour." cumstances we need the power and authority and flexibility

> of a new head, the plan includes three additional teachers, a staged programme spending up to £5 million to improve the school's facilities. improved security, a new staff training programme, and improving links with parents. The school will be fully open by the end of the week. Chris Woodhead, the Chief

Inspector of Schools, emphasised that The Ridings was unusual. "Most schools are calm. orderly places."

postal vote of all dons on Monday to try

to salvage the dream of a city centre

Rejection of the plans by a meeting of

Congregation, the university's parlia-

ment, can be overturned only by a postal

vote of all its members. If this ballot is

also lost, the plan cannot be revived in its

business school (David Charter writes).

which the professionals in the

As well as the appointment

LEA can bring to bear."



Peter Clark, the newly appointed acting head of The Ridings, gets down to meeting his pupils on his first day in charge of the school

The day that staff nearly lost control

OFSTED'S most senior inspector gave a graphic account yesterday of the day that staff at The Ridings virtually lost control of the

Mike Tomlinson, who led the inspection team, said at the launch of his report: "During the first day, the school was relatively orderly. though there were a number of pupils wandering around and behaviour in class of a small minority was quite unacceptable and seriously

disrupted teaching."

By half-way through the following day the inspectors feared for the safety of the pupils. Mr Tomlinson gave a diary of the day's events:

nior member of staff "manhandle" a pupil out of a

☐ 12.30pm: lunchtime behaviour reaches "dangerous" levels, with the corridors "like a racetrack" and staff notable by their absence. Outside the school, inspectors witness a drunken man taunting pupils across the perimeter fence.
The children pelt him with stones. Elsewhere, inspectors find a boy being badly beaten by another pupil. They drag the two apart

the two apart. □ 1.30: up to 15 pupils are seen on the playing field giving clenched-fist salutes and refusing to return to

TIMETABLE OF DISRUPTION dass. "It was dear at that time the school could not be a degree of chaos." One class spent a whole religious studies lesson colaccount for the whereabouts of all the pupils, nor ensure

> ☐ 1.40: Karen Stansfield, the bead teacher, is told that the inspectors judge the school to be "moving out of control". She agrees.
>
> ☐ 1.50: Ian Jennings, Calderdale's Director of Education,

their safety.

is warned that urgent action is needed to ensure the safety of pupils and teachers. 2pm: Chris Woodhead, the Chief Inspector of Schools, is given preliminary findings. Mr Tomlinson said the

inspectors found "huge con-

where pupils wanted to learn and were being taught effectively. Next door there would

ouring in a picture of a church, copying out a short passage and filling in missng words. Most of a French lesson was spent drawing a picture of a table and label-ling it in the language. Mr Tomlinson accepted

that the school had a high proportion of pupils with low reading ages and special needs but he said other schools coped. He said he had never experienced an

Expelled children will study at home

BY PAUL WILKINSON

THE dozen pupils expelled from The Ridings School will be given work to do at home until their educational needs have been assessed and any appeals heard. -

Ian Jennings, Calderdale's director of education, said those expelled by Peter Clark. the acting head teacher, would be assessed individually by the local authority if their expulsions were upheld. They could go to Calderdale's pupil referral unit, be transferred to other schools or establishments outside Calderdale.

Mr Clark said the parents of children who had been temporarily excluded could discuss with him the manner in which their children could return to classes. He intends to draw up contracts of agreed behaviour with the children and parents which, if broken, will result in

permanent expulsion. Two of the expelled boys protested their innocence yesterday. Paul Wilby, 15, who has been suspended seven times, was accused of stealing a builder's hard hat and threatening a teacher. He claimed he took the hat from another pupil, and added: "I did swear at a teacher after he accused me of being a thief but I certainly did not threaten

Jason Leslie, also 15, was expelled for verbal abuse, throwing a police cone around and coming into class when he tion. He denied throwing the

Both boys said their parents were likely to appeal against BBC pro

Oxford business school 'would not get council go-ahead'

university academic staff and senior

administrative staff above a certain

grade. New members who did not attend

Oxford automatically receive a Master's

Postal votes of congregation are rare

but not unprecedented. This would be the

fourth this decade with the previous three

By David Charter EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

OXFORD'S plans for a £40 million business school suffered a fresh blow yesterday was likely to reject the univer-

Stef Spencer, chairwoman of the Labour-controlled council's planning committee, criticised the university for choosing a greenfield site against the advice of the council. Her views echoed the mood of many dons who on Wednesday rejected what they felt was presented as a fait accompli.

Congregation, the dons' parliament, voted against us-

ground for the Wafic Rida Said Business School, named after the Syrian-born benefactor who has offered £20 million for its development.

Disappointed supporters of the university faced losing the donation, which was dependent on a central site being found. A university survey funded by Mr Said decided that the Mansfield Road site

was the only viable choice. Professor John Kay, director-designate of the business school, may not take up the position if the site and the Said donation are lost. He said his appointment was "clearly conditional upon the establishment of a viable school".

Professor Kay, director of the Centre for Business Strate-

gy at the London Business School, said he found the tone of Wednesday's debate by Oxford dons "awful". He particularly criticised Professor David Smith, head of the who said that the Wafic Said

sity members would be in a minority, would be the first step in Oxford's fragmentation into privately owned foundations.

THE most senior academic council at current form. Congregation comprises Oxford University is expected to order a 3,200 members, including all full-time

Professor Kay said Profes-

building, so actually the founsmall." He added: "The whole thing is a catastrophe for any kind of fundraising in of fundraising in

Foundation, on which univer- does is own the building and it was contrary to the city's local ... Not even an outline applica-

is the university that runs the building, so actually the founconcerned the application was being treated by the university as a fail accompli. I am pretty sure the majority of the plan-Ms Spencer said the scheme been against building there."

University decision rests on postal vote

having been carried. The most recent was in March 1995 on increasing the number of professorships at Oxford. In December 1994 dons voted for the merger of the Oxford and Cambridge examinations boards and in December 1991 they voted for colleges to be removed from examination results lists, in an attempt to thwart publication of the Norrington league

table of college performance.

eral possible sites which are at present car parks and our still insisted on going ahead."

Bryafi Keen, the vice-chairman of the committee, said: The university is trying to drum up support so when it comes to us they will have a loaded gun at our backs, and I don't like the way it is going about this. I am not concerned about where the funding's coming from. I am totally opposed to building on a green space in the centre of the city." If rejected by city councillors, a planning appeal would

be held by the Environment

would take at least a year.
The university yesterday is-

sued a statement to counteract officers did make clear to the the possibility raised after the architects for the development vote by Mr Said that he was "The university wishes to restate in the strongest terms its ment of management studie and the creation of a worldclass business school."

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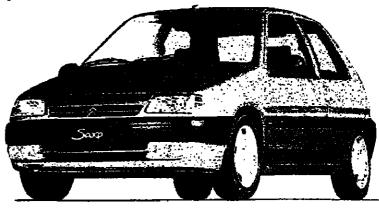
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Lincoln synod urged to silence murmurs in the cathedral

AN ORDINARY worshipper will urge the diocesan synod in Lincoln this weekend to call on the Dean, the Very Rev Brandon Jackson, to comply tory court in July last year. with the Archbishop of Canterbury's demand for his resignation. A motion before the synod on Saturday will press the dean and Canon Rex Davis, his subdean, to put an refused to go.

end to their eight-year feud and to step down. Dr Jackson goes to court next week in an attempt to halt a civil case brought by a former verger, Verity Free-stone, 32, which threatens to revive allegations that he conducted an affair with her. At Lincoln County Court the dean's lawvers will ask a judge to strike out as "frivolous and vexatious" Ms Freestone's accusation that he

"trespassed upon her person". Dr Jackson's attempt to quash the action will be contested by Gilbert Blades, Ms. closed hearing. If he fails, the

clergyman will, in effect, undergo a second public trial on the same charges that he was cleared of by a church consis-

The Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr George Carey, four months ago publicly demanded the dean and sub-dean's departure. Both men have

Saturday's synod brings together 150 members elected to the house of bishops, clergy and laity drawn from across the diocese. Raymond Snell, a lay member, will move that this synod expresses its grave concern at the failure of the dean and subdean of Lincoln to accede to the request by the Archbishop of Canterbury that for the greater good of the cathedral and the wider Church, they should leave the

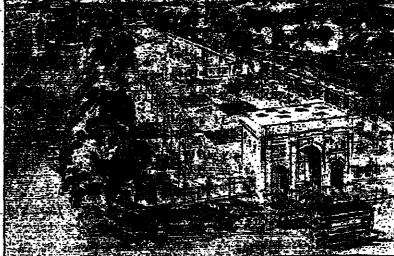
Dr Jackson, a member of the synod, and Canon Davis. who has been invited to the session, will be invited to plead their cases. Canon Raymond Rodger, the bishop's secretary, said: "It is a representative body of lay people from all over the diocese. This is the people speaking."

The consistory court cleared Dr Jackson of conducting a "brief, unsatisfactory, sordid, furtive and unhappy" affair with his 31-year-old verger. He claimed that Ms Freestone was an insecure girl who needed help.

Mr Blades, Ms Frestone's solicitor, said that the dean's lawyers had made an application to "nip in the bud" the county court action but that his client was anxious to pursue her case. "She was made out to be a fantasist and feels unset about this. She wants to clear her name."

Canon Davis described his relations with the dean as courteous and formal". Dr Jackson insisted yesterday that he remained willing to accede to Dr Carev's request that he resign, so long as the





Marble Arch, at present isolated on the edge of a traffic roundabout, would provide a new entrance to the promenade and to Hyde Park

Promenade plan buries Park Lane traffic

FOR the first time in half a century, Mayfair nannies may be able to push pram across the road into Hyde Park in London without fear of thundering traffic. The Royal Parks Agency is promoting a £90 million scheme to build a 600m-long road tunnel, recovering up to ten acres of parkland taken in 1958 to turn Park

Lane into a dual carriageway. David Welch, the agency director, said: "This is the first time land has been added back into Hyde Park since Henry VIII acquired it." The scheme would provide street-level access to the hotels and offices overlooking the be preserved as a feeder road. "Sultans will not be required to walk with their luggage to the Dorchester," a traffic engineer said.

Marble Arch would no longer be isolated in the middle of a traffic roundabout but would form the centrepiece of a new pedestrian entrance to a promenade and the park. with giratory traffic from the Edgware Road and Oxford Street shifted to the west. Speakers' Corner would benefit from reduced traffic noise. The scheme is named the Grosvenor Hyde Park Promenade, reflecting the fact that its backers include the Grosvenor House Hotel and Maylair's largest

landlord, the Grosvenor Estate, owned by the Duke of Westminster. Jane Sanders, speaking for the estate, said: "If traffic is shifted away from properties along Park Lane. many of which are listed Grade I, values will improve. But there is no immediate financial gain for us as

Half the £90 million will be sought. from the Heritage Lottery Fund. which earlier this year launched its own Urban Parks Initiative. The consortium hopes to attract matching funds from local business interests.

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If lottery funds are forthcoming, the Royal Parks Agency hopes the tunnel will be open by 2002. Park Lane is an reduce eight to ten lines of traffic to four. Kelvin Campbell, one of the consultants, said: The tunnel is designed to take existing traffic volames but there may be traffic tailbacks

at rush hour."

Mr Welsh added: "One: major benefit will be the removal of the steel wall of tourist buses parked along Park Lane. These will be directed to a deepened car park under Hyde Park." Other proposals include the reconstruction of Regency Park lodges demolished in the 1950s and an Orangery restaurant overlooking the park near Marble Arch.

GPs may restrict help for elderly

By JEREMY LAURANCE HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

FAMILY doctors are being advised to refuse to take on the care of elderly patients in nursing homes unless they are paid extra.

The British Medical Association said yesterday that the move was essential to protect services to other patients. Nursing home residents need ten times more consultations than the national average and often need specialist care.

Yesterday the association published a document arguing for a limit on the duties imposed on family doctors; which have expanded because of the trend for providing tal. It says that a GP's "core service" is to be available 24 hours a day to treat patients. Also regarded as core work are child immunisation, contraceptive services and the monitoring of chronic diseases such as asthma and diabetes.

Non-core services are those formerly provided by hospitals and include the care of nursing home residents, pre and post-operative care for surgery patients and the treat-ment of drug addicts.

Under the voluntary guidelines, GPs are invited to give notice to health authorities that they will no longer provide these services to new patients from next April Established patients and services will not be affected. Instead health authorities will be expected to arrange contracts to provide the services, which GPs or community trusts

could bid for. Dr Ian Bogle, chairman of the BMA's GP committee. said that the move was essential to maintain the quality of general practice, which was being submerged by a transfer of work from hospitals. "It is an effort to put a ring fence around family medicine. We owe it to our patients to protect our availability to them."

He said there had been a huge increase in nursing home patients over the past 10 to 20 years. "General practice is not geared up to cope with this demand. The other patients suffer and the high dependency patients are not getting the highly specialist

attention they require."

A spokesman for Age Concern said: "Older people are yet again being targeted in the search for solutions to funding

Flock told to design o their own **funerals**

BY RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

CHURCHGOERS in Sheffield are being urged to prepare for their death as the "damp mists" of November set in. In the Sheffield Cathedral newsletter, on sale for 10p, worshippers are urged to tell their relatives, friends and priest what music they would like played at their funeral, the people they would like to bear their coffin and the readings and prayers they

want said. According to Canon Jane Sinclair of the cathedral, November is a time "to ready ourselves for death". She has invited worshippers to coming my funeral" forms at the back of the church and to hand it to their next of kin and cathedral staff in confidence.

Writing in the latest edition of Chapter & Verse, she says: "Something in November brings thoughts of death to mind. The darkness grows around us, damp mists wreathe the trees; dead leaves rattle and sigh in the gusts of

autumnal air." . She. admits that might smack of morbidity" to the popular mind but argues that it is relatively easy and helpful if a person plans their funeral before they die. "The process can help to focus priorities, and enable us to speak truthfully to one another and to God about what is important

in our relationships." A spokeswoman for Help the Aged said: "There is no harm in talking about death at all if it is sensitively done. As you get older you do think about it more. Death isn't talked about enough.

The Rev Stephen Frott, a General Synod member, said: People are so shy about talking about death they don't really prepare for it."



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Keeper of Queen's pictures helped Eric Hebborn to wreak revenge on art world that rejected him

Blunt the spy blamed for encouraging art forger

ARTS CORRESPONDENT

ERIC HEBBORN, the most prolific art forger of the century, was encouraged by Anthony Blunt, according to an accomplice who aged some of the hundreds of Old Master drawings that duped the art world in the 1960s.

Blunt, the keeper of the Queen's pictures who was to be unmasked as a spy, examined some of Hebborn's copies of Poussin drawings. He told the artist that if he had used old paper "they would easily pass as originals". Hebborn, driven to despair by the art establishment's rejection of his own work, was set on a path of revenge by Blunt's comments. From the early 1960s, he began to produce the Augustus Johns, Renoirs, Corots, Mantegnas and the host of other masters that dealers, collectors and curators were so eager to buy.

The story is told in Celebration, an autobiography pub-lished this week by Graham David Smith, Hebborn's lover from 1954 until 1970. Mr Smith, an artist who was a contemporary of David Hockney at the Royal College of Art, recalled yesterday: "I can re- the art world's expense. He



Hebborn, master forger, and Blunt, master spy

member a conversation with Anthony when he said, 'The thing about Eric is that he's an early Victorian draughtsman with incredible talent who is adrift in the mid-20th century...

Hebborn died in January at his home in Rome; according to the city's coroner, he was murdered. Mr Smith believes that Hebborn was planning to publish yet more damning revelations, a follow-up to his 1991 book, Drawn to Trouble.

Mr Smith's account contradicts Hebborn's version. But Hebborn himself had admitted that he had faked some of the stories, another laugh at



claimed that Blunt had been dismissive of his draughts-

manship and that he had been solely responsible for ageing the work. He also claimed that he had never explicitly discussed his fakes with Smith.

But Smith says it was a joint endeavour that began in about 1961; they sold the works by posing as dealers who traded from their home in Italy. Hebborn claimed that in 30 years he flooded the market with more than a thousand fakes: examples entered private and public collections including the British Museum and the National Gallery in Washington, but the whereabouts of most remain unknown. In

while Smith would make them look old".

Smith recalled that in his arly pen-and-ink drawings. Hebborn used a modern ink They had to be scraped off and razor-blades did the job. Rubbing with sandpaper gave a nice, warm texture to the paper". Boiling water served to deaden the gloss of modern

The art historian Edward Lucie-Smith said that he has wondered whether Mr Smith was also involved in the drawings. "He has always denied it. But he is such a good draughtsman," he noted, describing Celebration as "ex-

tremely fascinating". Yesterday, Mr Smith admit ted for the first time that he had, in fact, worked on "one or two" drawings, including a Mantegna. Asked who came up with the sales patter, he said: "We didn't need any." All they had to do was approach their prey and say, "I've found this rather early drawing. What do you think?" Once, he recalled, Hebborn had created a red chalk drawing of a "Renoir" nude: in that case, the "expert" declared that the



An Eric Hebborn drawing, taken from his book Drawn to Trouble, that was passed off as a Piranesi etching

drawing was a fake but the signature was authentic.

Smith said Hebborn took up forgery out of despair. 'Several times, he broke down in tears. He tried and tried without success to sell his work. Once, he threw all his drawings away. I got them out of the garbage. He just said, "Why should I bother?"

Their relationship broke down when he realised that Hebborn was prepared to use even people they regarded as friends: "The one thing we had agreed on was not to do that." Asked which of the two

accounts he found most convincing, Bill Campbell, managing director of Mainstream. the publishers of Celebration. said: "I got to know Eric pretty well. He did have a vivid imagination. Graham seems to me a naturally honest person. The balance slightly

tilts in favour of Graham." The rogues' gallery of 20thcentury forgers has included Tom Keating, who deceived the art world with his Samuel Palmers. Elmyr de Hory, who specialised in Matisse and Picasso, and Van Meegeren, who faked Vermeers.

Director pulls 'dog's breakfast' from festival | Tyndale Bible goes on tour

By Dalya Alberge

A BRITISH director has withdrawn a work from the London Film Festival because he is unhappy with the way it has been cut and edited. Alex Cox, whose films include Sid and Nancy and Repo Man, yesterday attacked the Hollywood distributors who, he said, had misunderstood the film's whimsical humour and

its low-life characters. Regretting that "some people have seen a film that I feel is no longer mine". Mr Cox spoke of wanting to remove his name from The Winner, a comedy about gambling in Las Vegas. The cast includes Rebecca de Mornay, who starred in The Hand that Rocks the Cradle.

explained, the American distributor, a and The Compass, directed and adapted

small independent company called Live, set about editing it. He said that it had made crucial cuts and replaced the musical score he commissioned with "some lousy jazz music". "It was all done behind my back. The result is a dog's breakfast. They've made a terrible mess of what was OK."

He found out about the changes at a preview screening. There had been no warning or consultation, he said, yet the distributor's version was a dramatic departure from his. Although the cuts added up to only five minutes, they were vital to the 90-minute film. Sheila Whitaker, director of the festi-

val, which opens today, agreed to screen an alternative film, one that "is more After he had delivered the film, he representative of his own vision". Death

Carol in Wol-

by Mr Cox from the short story by the Argentinian Jorge Luis Borges, will be shown on November 15. Since filming the Kafkaesque story of murder and revenge for the BBC in 1992, Mr Cox has expanded it for the big screen.
The London Film Festival runs until

November 24 at various venues, including the National Film Theatre, and tures 340 programmes. Among the highlights are a range of Spanish films; Crash, the controversially violent film by David Cronenberg that Columbia has just decided to distribute in Britain; and Blood and Wine, a film about a womanising wine dealer who devises the perfect crime, starring Jack Nicholson and Michael Caine.

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By ALAN HAMILTON

ONE of the British Library's most valuable printed treasures leaves the country for the first time since the 16th century next week to begin a tour of the United States.

William Tyndale's translation of the New Testament was the first printed version of the Bible in English, produced in Germany in 1526 and bought by the library from Bristol Baptist College two years ago for more than £1 million. During the tour two library curators will never let it out of

their sight.

crimson leather in the 18th century, is no bigger than a video cassette. It was small enough to be smuggled in the pre-Reformation age, when the Catholic clergy of England opposed translating Scripture from the Latin.

Tyndale, who was strangled at the stake for being a few years ahead of his time, rendered the original texts into simple, memorable phrases capable of being understood by a largely illiterate peasantry. He is credited with inventing such phrases as salt of the earth, sign of the times, and filthy lucre. Much of his translation survives in the

Mervyn Janetta, head of the library's English and antiquarian section, said that the Tyndale volume was priceless. ranking with other library treasures such Magna Carta and the 7th-century Lindisfarne Gospels.

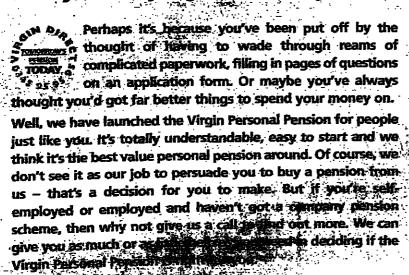
The Bible will be the centrepiece of an exhibition entitled Let There Be Light, which will include a 1534 Tyndale Bible which belonged to Anne Boleyn. The exhibition will visit the Library of Congress in Washington, the New York Public Library and the Huntington Library in

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BY DOMINIC KENNEDY, SOCIAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE Lord Chancellor has launched a campaign to save the institution of marriage by persuading couples to ask for help before and after they

Lord Mackay of Clashfern is trying to reduce the divorce rate by inviting 50 guidance organisations to devise new ideas on helping husbands and wives to stay together. He is believed to have £500,000 to spend if the proposals are good enough, but has said that none of the money will go to helping unmarried couples with their problems.

These projects are intended to support marriage and are therefore to help those who are thinking of entering into marriage or are in marriage," he said. The Family Law Act allows the Lord Chancellor to make grants for marriage

support.

The underlying principles of the Act are that the institution of marriage is to be supported. and married couples whose relationship may have broken down are to be encouraged to take all practical steps — by marriage counselling or other-

wise — to save the marriage. Lord Mackay, who helped to abolish "quickie" divorces this summer, said that the initiative underlined the Goverriment's support for marriage. Pilot projects would begin next April. "I expect a wide range of exciting and innovative proposals."

The programme was devised by The Marriage Task Force, a working party of officials drawn from eight government departments 18 months ago. The Lord Chancellor's Department spends £2.3 million on grants to marriage support and research organisations: Relate, the Jewish Marriage Council, Marriage Care, One Plus One, the Tavistock Marital Studies Institute and the Fam-

ily Welfare Association. Lord Mackay is keen to persuade couples to seek advice before they marry. "The churches have long held courses for people intending to get married to try to warn them of the sort of problems that might arise and how these problems might be

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marriage guidance organis-ation Relate hopes to solve the problem by asking florists and wedding shops to give out leaflets advising people to seek

Husbands working late in the office because they cannot stand returning to their unhappy homes will soon be able to turn for sympathy to their computer screens. Relate is proposing to launch an inter-active service on the Internet, mainly aimed at men who find it difficult to share their personal problems with col-

leagues or friends.
The Relate website would work like a multiple-choice quiz, with spouses answering questions about what worries them and being led to possible solutions. The idea was pioneered in America.

Sarah Bowler, chief executive of Relate, said: "If somebody had a sexual problem or a problem with violence, we would begin to answer questions on the page. It is very difficult for men to speak about problems in their marriage. Instead, they make jokes about their marriage. drink or stay late in the office."

Relate but they prefer to use its confidential telephone advice service. Mrs Bowler has bought a personalised tele-phone number, RELATE 07000, in the hope of launching a national helpline to provide counselling. She has no money, however, to launch the service. Another idea she is considering is a range of video films on subjects such as sex,

and second families. Although 190,000 couples petition for divorce every year. only 140,000 go through with it. Relate wants to increase the 50,000 who decide to change their minds.

☐ The first pilot projects to test out mediation as a way of helping divorcing couples re-solve disputes will be underway by next May. Yesterday the Legal Aid Board announced plans for the projects, which will be offered under the Family Law Act 1996 to divorcing couples who qualify for legal aid.

Mediation, in which couples attend sessions with a trained mediator, is aimed at helping couples to resolve arrange chance of counselling. The erty without going to court.



Westminster's model couple

BY ALICE THOMSON

JAMES and Elizabeth Mackay have managed that rare thing in Westminster: the perfect marriage. It is an achievement that cannot have gone unnoticed by John Major when he chose the Lord Chancellor to lead his campaign to

keep families together. Lord Mackay of Clashfern, 68. is one of the few MPs who can talk about white weddings, bridal bouquets and the patter of tiny feet without prompting exaggerated snig-gers on the back benches. He

has been married to his wife for 37 years and is by far the strictist observer of Christian teaching in the Cabinet.

Parliamentarians are continually testifying to the intolerable strains, long hours and tedium that force them to stray into the tabloid headlines over adultery. But while other wives sit in their constituencies worrying about their husband's dinner dates, Lady Mackay jokes about it and makes sure that she stays at

Westminster during the week.

band, who is her second

She has known her hus-

one son, two daughters and nine grandchildren. He tries to have lunch with her every day in their flat above his office and they use the House of Lords as their dining room. Long-sighted peers often stumble into them as they hug. and at grand functions they

happily hold hands. Lord Mackay is certainly a good husband and has a very clever mind but whether he will make a better moral teacher than repentant adulterers, drunks and divorcees remains to be seen.

What Major and Blair can learn from US election

apparently have something for everyone -Bill Clinton's victory on a centrist "new" Democrat platform to cheer the Blairites and "new" Labour, an incumbent winning re-election on the back of a strong economy and the Republicans' success in retaining control of Conrress to reassure the Tories. That does not mean transatlantic comparisons are pointless. It is rather that the parallels are not straight-

forward. John Major is likely to be relaxed about the re-election of Mr Clinton, with whom he is now on reasonable working terms after initial cool-ness. On both Bosnia and Northern Ireland, London and Washington are more closely aligned than at any time over the past four years. The election of Bob Dole would have created uncertainty about a shift by America towards a more assertively nationalist foreign policy, es-pecially after Mr Major had an angry meeting with him in Downing Street two years

Labour claims — for example by Peter Mandelson on page 22 today — that Mr Clinton's victory is "a crush-ing defeat for the Right" sound well over-the-top in view of the Republicans' success in holding on to both houses of Congress for two terms for the first time in 66 years. The Blairites have copied Mr Clinton's campaigning techniques — his ability to

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"stay on message" and to inspire optimism. But Lab-our should be wary of too close an embrace of Mr Clinton in view of the serious charges he still faces about dubious, and possibly illegal, campaign contributions and abuses in the White House. Mr Clinton and Mr Blair

have, of course, both repositioned their parties to the centre and embraced lowcost government activism — the State as regulator and partner rather than big spender. Such a shift is a necessary condition for a leftof-centre party to win elec-tions, but not a sufficient one. Moreover, Mr Clinton fought as an incumbent while Mr Blair is a challenger. Mr Clinton argued against change, while Mr Blair has to establish the case for change. A strong economy is no help for Mr Blair, as it was for Mr Clinton, though British vot-ers remain reluctant to credit Mr Major for the recovery.

low ratings two years ago into victory on Tuesday by exploit-ing the unpopularity of the House Republicans under Newt Gingrich. They overreached themselves during the shutdowns of the Federal Government last winter when they proposed big cuts in the growth of spending on Medicare health programmes for the elderly. Mr Clinton had the great advantage of having

an enemy which could be depicted as extremist as Mr Blair could have in future if the Tories swung right in opposition. Mr Clinton also had an opponent in Bob Dole who lacked a clear or coherent theme. His Big Idea of a 15 per cent across-the-board tax cut flopped because he failed to argue it consistently and because voters did not believe it could be delivered.

The lesson for the Tories is that right-wing parties alarm voters if they appear extremist and talk of a revolution.

Mr Dole's failure shows the risks of being squeezed by a left-wing leader moving to the centre. The Tories claim, optimistically, that their "opportunity for all strategy, stressing welfare reform and widening educational choice.

There has not been a decisive shift against the Right in America. The attempt to rein back government and to reform public services will continue in Congress and in the majority of state governorships controlled by the Republi-cans (and probably more after the mid-term elections in 1998). The events of the past year have shown the American public's ambivalence: the desire to increase core social programmes, but to limit the role of government. Mr Clinton's victory was not ideological, but personal and cyclical, and probably transitory.

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Single currency: European Commission predicts narrow miss in economic convergence test

Brussels forecast shows Britain to be off course

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

EVERY state in the European Union except Britain, Italy and Greece is on course to meet the key budget test for entering monetary union, but Britain could still qualify, the European Commission said yesterday.

In an optimistic forecast for the EU's economies, the Commission presented a scene in which about ten states could be judged to meet all the criteria when the founding members are chosen in 1998.

The latest of Brussels' twiceyearly forecasts was eagerly awaited because it is the first to take account of austerity budget plans for 1997, the year to be used as the yardstick for measuring fitness to adopt the euro. The effort to achieve sustained economic convergence was "achieving its first fruits" as growth returned to the European economy, according to Yves-Thibault de Silguy, the monetary Commis-

France, Germany and ten other states are forecast next year to meet the most sensitive "Maastricht" target, which re-quires budget deficits at or below 3 per cent of Gross

Domestic Product France should reach 3 per cent thanks to a one-off transfer of funds from the state telecommunications company, the Commission said. Taking a rosier view than many leading German economists, the Commission forecast Bonn's deficit at only 29 per cent in 1997. Britain was predicted at 3.5 per cent and Italy at 3.3. Greece, the

EU's economic invalid, is due

to register 6.5 per cent.

However, M de Silguy not-ed that, unlike most other EU states, Britain had not yet produced its 1997 budget. The figures for 1997 have been calculated without the benefit of the British budget, and we have had to assume that there is no policy change in working out the figures," he said. In addition, Britain's April-April financial year meant that the Commission's calculation carried a margin of error that alone could bring the 1997 figure down to the magic 3 per

Officials said that Brussels would be studying Kenneth Clarke's Budget this month to revise their figures. Sir Leon Brittan, the Commission vice-

president, said he expected Britain to qualify and be able whether to join the first wave. Privately some officials speculated that the Govern-

ment might be content not to relieved of the decision on whether to exercise its Maastricht opt-out over EMU. Britain has one of the strongest economies in Europe, the Commission's figures show. It is expected to register 3 per cent growth next year, compared with an EU average of 2.3 per cent. Along with all except Greece, Britain meets the criteria for inflation and interest rates. It is expected to do better than all except Luxembourg in the area of

national debt.

Debt is supposed to be no more than 60 per cent of GDP, but countries will be admitted if they are consistently moving towards the target. Twelve of the 15 members, including Germany, with 6i.9 per cent, are forecast to exceed the. target. Only Britain, Luxembourg and France are due to meet it. This sets the scene for fierce dispute when EU lead-



ers choose the entrants by majority voting in 1998. While most other members are within 15 points of the target and moving in the right direction, Belgium insists that it will qualify even though it now has a debt of 127 per cent of GDP. M de Silguy insisted that his forecasts were a technical

exercise based on existing data

and not a prediction of EMU membership. He also emphasised the scrupulous methods employed by the Commission's technicians.

However, the forecasting exercise is widely deemed around Europe to embody a big dose of politics. Italian about the decision to down

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grade forecasts of their expected performance. The prospect of Italy and other mediterranean states acquiring the euro at its 1999 launch has been upsetting Germany, which fears that the new currency could prove less sturdy than

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Sceptics live in hope of Tory policy change

By PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

A GROUP of Euro-sceptic allowing the impression to be ministers are hoping that John Major can be persuaded to reopen the Cabinet debate on the single currency and rule out British membership of the first wave as a general election commitment.

Senior ministers contend that John Major's decision to negotiations in order to protect Britain's interests will not be a bar on the matter being looked at again if the Government decides early next year that there is nothing further to gain from taking that position.

They believe that the political advantage to be won from ruling out early membership of a single currency could at that stage outweigh the gain of remaining in the negotiations. Some feel that the issue could come to a head in February.

The ministers believe that there can be no change in the present wait-and-see policy unless Mr Major feels that he has secured all that he can from the negotiation's. He wrote in The Times last month that Britain should stay in because, irrespective of its final decision, it wanted to the prevent the creation of a failed monetary union that would be a disaster for this country and

for the Continent. Informed sources say that at least six senior ministers — Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, Michael Portillo. the Defence Secretary, Michael Forysth, the Scotish secre-tary. William Hague, the Welsh secretary, Peter Lilley,

the Social Security Secretary, and Lord Cranborne, the Leader of the Lords - would support a move to rule out the single currency for the lifetime of the next Parliament.

The sources would expect fierce opposition to any attempt to reopen the issue from Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, and Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister.

Both would point to several government statements during the year, including one from the Prime Minister on April 3 when he announced that a Conservative government' would hold a referendum on entering the single currency, which have been expressed in terms that the options would be kept open at the election". Mr Heseltine said in September that it would an "abdication" of Britain's self-interest to make a decision now.

Even so the Euros-ceptics have not given up hope of winning over their pro-European colleagues in the run-up to the election. They fear that Labour has already stolen a march on the Government by

clearly given, first privately and last week publicly by Robin Cook, the Shadow Foreign Secretary, that a Blair government would be unlikely to enter the first wave. They also believe that it will become increasingly obvious as the months go on that a Conservatake Britain into the first wave of a single currency and that the party might as well take the credit for stating the

They also doubt whether Mr Clarke, who would be a contender in any leadership contest if the Tories were to lose the election, would want to resign so close to the poll and risk being blamed for the

Clarke is attacked by MPs on both sides

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

KENNETH Clarke came under cross-party attack last night as he defended plans for the single currency.

gered by an MPs' report last week which claimed that under monetary union the British taxpayer would have to spend billions on helping other countries to pay massive state pension costs. Yesterday he rejected the report's conclusions in detail, insisting that the Maastricht treaty made clear that no member state would be liable for another country's commitments.

His unusual step in reacting to the report before the formal response prompted criticism from Frank Field. chairman of the Social Security Select Committee, which produced the report. Mr Field accused Mr Clarke of panicking. The Chancellor was also

criticised by the Euro-sceptic Tory Bill Cash after publishing a Treasury submission on the legal framework for the start of a single currency. Mr Cash said: This is the first really big step down the road to a single currency."

Treasury officials, however, said that the document was a routine part of the negotiations that were necessary be-fore Britain made a decision, in 1998, on whether to join.





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as Prime Minister of Pakistan shortly before 2am on Tuesday "when they thought I would be asleep", demanded last night to be returned to power within a month. She accused President Leghari. who sacked her, of kidnapping her husband, Asif Ali Zardari, and suggested he was being tortured.

Her reaction to being dis-missed for the second time in six years was classic Miss Bhutto: determined, forthright and threatening. Speaking at the Prime Minister's residence, she talked of her sense of betrayal by President Leg-hari, an old friend and ally. If she were not restored to

office, she declared, "certain ably a reference to street power. Earlier, Irshad Haqoani, the Information Minister in the newly installed caretaker Government, said Miss Bhutto's husband was in custody "because we have serious charges against him".

He announced that the "VIP culture" was being abolished - including the VIP lounges at airports. Prime Ministers would no longer be escorted by police convoys. All politicians would have to account for their wealth before being allowed to contest elections. Asked if Miss Bhutto could be banned from contesting, he said: "It all depends." Miss

Bhutto spoke yesterday of hearing rumours of her dismissal late in the night; then of being informed that a letter was on the way from the President; and finally of talking to Mr Leghari by tele-phone. She said he had once been her deputy — "he had no vision, but was a good No 2 who could implement a task

when I gave it to him".

This contempt peppered a lengthy speech, sometimes more of a rant, at a press conference. She demanded to know within a few hours the precise whereabouts of her husband or she would file a police report alleging that President Leghari had kidnapped him. "It is not easy to know your husband has been kidnapped and subjected to all kinds of tyranny." She claimed the killing of

her vounger brother and political rival, Murtaza Bhutto, in Karachi in September was murder, designed as part of a conspiracy to destroy democracy in Pakistan. "The bullet that was to kill him physically was meant to eliminate me politically. It was a conspiracy against the Bhutto family. Now only my mother, sister and myself are left. We have

She said her telephone had been cut after her dismissal and she had been held incommunicado. She intended to court "because it is important

Miss Bhutto urged President Leghari to resign and hand his powers to the chairman of the Senate. She insisted that her husband be court. She had asked the army if troops had seized him.

They said, 'No, we had nothing to do with it.'

The army may not have ar-rested Mr Zardari, but it certainly had a decisive say in Miss Bhutto's dismissal. The new generation of generals tries to stay clear of politics but gets drawn in nevertheless. The army probably does not wish the President's pledge of a general election in February to be fulfilled, and few analysts in Islamabad believe it will be. The President and the army may seek to extend the term of the caretaker Government to tackle corruption and restore order to the economy.

President Leghari is expected to constitute a corruption commission soon - a device, perhaps, for shutting both Miss Bhutto and Mian Nawaz Sharif, the Opposition leader. out of politics. The army despairs of them: Mr Sharif's in 1993 for corruption and incompetence. Miss Bhutto insisted she was not a spent force, would return to power. and the "conspiracy" against



Benazir Bhutto: accuses President Leghari of kidnapping her husband

Volcano adds to glacier drama in • flood-hit Iceland

From Hildur Helga Sigurdardottir in reykjavik

A VIOLENT eruption from an lcelandic volcano yesterday sent clouds of ash and smoke, soaring-up to 14,000ft as the nation was taking stock of the damage caused by the flood of

The new eruption started in huge fissure in the Icelandic glacier Vamajokull, just south of the crater left by last month's spectacular outburst, which lasted two weeks and brought on Tuesday's flood.

The fresh eruption in Europe's largest glacier spewed a 12,000tr to 14,000ft-high column of ash in the air and was first spotted yesterday after-noon by pilots sightseeing over the flooded area on the south coast.

Two great explosions shot ashes into the sky, but last night meteorologists said that the eruption seemed to be

There are still considerable seismic activity and tremors originating in the area. But according to Ragnar Stefans-son, head of the geophysics department at Iceland's Meteorological Institute, because of the intense and dramatic geo-logical activity originating in the glacier lately, scientists are finding it difficult to tell if the present earth tremors are an indication of increasing volca-nic activity or a result of the flood from under the glacial lake Grimsvom.

The water level of the lake has gone down dramatically since the flood burst through the ice-cap on Tuesday morning, Magnus Tumi Gudmundsson, a glacier expert, is inclined to believe that the new eruption is a last release of gas



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nearby lake.

The glacial torrent demolished three of the country's largest bridges as well as several miles of the important ring road along the south coast. Several power lines

have also collapsed. House-size blocks of ice and millions of tonnes of black sulphurous water are pouring on to uninhabited regions of iceland.

This disaster will weigh heavily on the Icelandic economy, already burdened by two recent avalanches in which two villages were swept to sea and almost 40 lives lost.

One immediate result is that the country's transport system traffic on land between the east coast fishing towns and the capital, Reykjavik, on the southwest coast, now having to go through the rough

David Oddsson, the Prime Minister, said after the latest eruption: This is going to put us back to the time when we did not have the great bridges on the south coast. Our financial losses are certainly great,

Yugoslav poll victory boosts Milosevic

Belgrade: The ruling coalition of the Serbian President. Slobodan Milosevic, won a clear victory in Sunday's Yugoslav parliamentary elec-tions, the federal election commission said yesterday.

A commission spokesman told reporters that the threeparty left-wing coalition had taken 64 seats in the 138-seat parliament, the opposition Zajedno coalition 22, the Democratic Party of Socialists of

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Montenegro 20 and the Radi-cal Party 16.

Ivica Dacic, spokesman for the ruling coalition, compris-ing Mr Milosevic's Socialist Party (SPS), the Yugoslav United Left (JUL) led by his wife Mirjana, and New Democracy, called the victory "great and convincing".

Voters across Yugoslavia voted for a new federal parliament, a republican assembly for Montenegro, and local councils.

The victory will enable Mr Milosevic, supported by the state media, to consolidate his power ahead of Serbian elections next spring, analysts say. His coalition was 26 seats short of the two-thirds majority he needs to alter the Yugoslav constitution to enable him to retain power when his second and final term as Serbian President expires next

expect enough support to push through the changes. Diplomats expect him then to move President, vested with sweeping executive powers. (Reuter) Strasbourg: Croatia was sworn in as the 40th member of the Council of Europe yesterday, four months after its membership was put on hold over human rights concerns. It applied in 1992. (AP)

Jewish graves desecrated

Warsaw: Forty-three graves have been desecrated at the prewar Jewish cemetery in. the southern Polish city of Oswiecim, where the former Nazi death camp of Auschwitz is situated.

"The police have some clues as to the possible perpetrators, but no one has been detained and the investiga-

Chewing-gum politics splits town "chewing-gum brigade". Its

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN MADRID

CHEWING-GUM and women's rights have become messily entangled in the tiny town hall of Avilés, in Asturias, northern Spain, leading to strained relations between the ruling conservatives and a

vocal Socialist opposition. The problem arose after a decision by Ana Fernandez, the councillor for women's

members are to be employed part-time to scrape wads of chewed gum off the town's pavements, walls and cinema. halls. This has fired the wrath of the left wing in the Avilés town hall, which accuses Senora Fernández of subjecting women to "discrimination and

The opposition town councillors furned against the "assault on the dignity of the to stoop enough already without having to pick up bits of dirty, hardened gum off the

part, cannot understand what the fuss is all about. "I am only giving our women something useful to do," she insisted; "What is wrong with them cleaning gum from our pavements?" She added: "I are not making

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Rebels accuse UN of abandoning Hutu 'hostages'

FROM SAM KILEY IN GOMA

Zaire until it had negotiated THE military leader of east permission with Mr Mobutu's Zaire's rebel movement yesterregime in Kinshasa, the day offered relief workers open access through his terricapital. tory to 1.1 million Rwandan

Hutu refugees who he said

were being held as "hostages"

by their extremist leadership. André Ngandu Kissasse,

who heads an alliance of

groups aiming to overthrow

Zaire's President Mobutu,

condemned the United Na-

tions and aid agencies for

failing to take advantage of a

three-day unilateral ceasefire offered by the rebels to head

off a humanitarian catastro-

phe in the Hutu camps.
"We have given them the

chance they need to help these

people. I cannot understand why there are no relief agen-

cies now in eastern Zaire. I can guarantee their safety up to

the front line. From then on it

is up to the aid workers to

negotiate with the Inter-ahamwe [Those who kill to-

He asked for help in feeding

the 250,000 residents of

Goma, the North Kivu capital

he took with the help of

Rwandan soldiers last week-

end. "There is very little food

in the town. We need short-

term help for our own

they could not go into Goma because the Office of the UN

High Commissioner for Refu-

gees, which controls most of

Yesterday aid sources said

population.

gether]," he said yesterday.

Goma was quiet but ringed with roadblocks that kept civilians away from the front line with Hutu fighters, eight miles to the west. Commander Ngandu's men fired shots in the air to drive would-be looters away from shops, but they let civilians steal any food they could find.

Red Cross lorries toured the town picking up the last of those killed in battles between the rebels and Zaire's troops, who have been fighting alongside Hutu extremists.

One European hotelier, who was trapped by the fighting, said that Zairean soldiers had killed civilians indiscriminate-

Dispute over troops' role

New York: With support growing for international military intervention in eastern Zaire, big differences emerged yesterday about the precise role of foreign troops (James Bone writes).

Germany drafted a resolu-tion for the United Nations Security Council on the creation of "humanitarian corriders" to funnel Hutn refugees back to Rwanda, but France sought to resurrect the abandoned refuget camps in eastern Zaire.

ly to clear roads when they fled the rebel advance.

The commander rejected calls for international military intervention to secure "hu-manitarian corridors" so that the 500,000 Hutus trapped in Mugunga could be reached, saying there was no need. If there is to be military intervention, it should be to go into the camps and separate the military and militia from the civilians. Since when has it been part of international conventions that refugees

should be armed?"
Hutu refugee camps have been used as bases for insurgents to attack Rwanda since the extremist militia fled after committing genocide there in 1994. Many aid agencies, including Care UK and Medecins Sans Frontieres. have refused to work in them.

Commander Ngandu added that he did not want to attack Mugunga camp but rather have it moved elsewhere in Zaire. These people should not be here. They are in the way of our offensive against Mobutu. He has just given them land in return for fighting for him, since he cannot trust his own troops who run away as soon as they see us.

The Hutus are using the refugee camp as a human shield. They shell our positions from the hills and we cannot counter-attack because the refugees are in the way. Get them out of the way for us. that is all we want," he said.



Refugees block guerrilla chief's road to power murdered on the orders of the The Times, always because of Western backing for his en-

By Sam Kiley

WITH his sprinting advance on Kinshasa stalled by more than a million Rwandan refugees camped on the main route west, and the dilemma of how to feed the 250,000 in the newly captured Goma, Andre Ngandu Kissasse has just a few days before his dream of the past 31 years fades before his eyes.

The 51-year-old rebel commander paced the room in his recently "liberated" Zairean military fatigues and new

boots, barking orders at his men to get hold of a mobile phone to allow him to contact the United Nations.

To the members of the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF), the rebel guerrilla army which overthrew Rwanda's extremist Hutu Government in 1994, "Commander Ngandu" is an mzee, an elder statesman of liberation struggles. Now he has emerged from the jungle, still burning with the zealotry inspired by his hero, Patrice Lumumba, Zaire's first leader. He was

CIA, which feared the country would fall under Soviet influ-

ing President Mobutu in 1965

Commander Ngandu is something of an ideological fossil. No longer a Socialist. after reading politics in Berlin, he still carries a torch for pan-Africanism, the dream of African unity preached by Ghana's Kwame Nkrumah in the days of independence. He joined guerrillas fight-

anti-Mobutu party, the Nat-ional Party for Liberation. Basing himself in Zaire and in neighbouring countries, he was able to make contact with the nascent RPF, which invaded Rwanda from refugee

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camps in Uganda in 1990. His hotch-potch of Rwanand took part in several dan soldiers and rebel groups uprisings. They always failed.

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In the past two weeks, they have captured North and South Kivu's respective capitals, Goma and Bukavu. We have the advantage and the Zairean army is folding up in front of us, he said. The only people fighting us are the Hutus. If we could get the refugees out of the way, we would be well on the way to

their funds, had banned relief workers from entering eastern

Yeltsin aide stirs furore over Israeli citizenship

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW AND CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

THE Kremlin yesterday faced its first serious crisis since President Yeltsin's heart operation as public pressure mounted for the dismissal of a senior security official who reportedly holds dual Israeli and Russian citizenship.

As Mr Yehsin began his recuperation, it became clear ne of the most pressing issues on his return to work will be the fate of Boris Berezovsky, a business tycoon who was appointed deputy head of the presidential security council last week.

His selection for the sensitive job triggered an angry response from politicians who alleged that Mr Berezovsky. who heads the country's main car manufacturer and controls the largest television network, was unsuitable. According to one former associate he once ordered the murder of a rival media boss. He has been the target of several assassination

What has upset liberal, communist and nationalist politicians is that Mr Bereznysky is part of a danger-President quick to take back reins

FROM THOMAS DE WAAL

IN MOSCOW

ONLY 16 hours after a multi-

ple bypass operation. Presi-

dent Yeltsin signed a decree taking back all presidential

Viktor Chernomyrdin, the

Prime Minister, who went through an identical opera-

tion eight years ago, visited Mr Yeltsin for 15 minutes and

powers yesterday.

ous new oligarchy. "Our new regime is reproducing the characteristics of the old system," said Grigori Yavlinsky, leader of the liberal Yabioko party. The name is not just banks and television: it is oligarchy and mafia."

Mr Berezovsky, 50, did nothing to dispel the accusations when he boasted that bankers, who together control seven mems half of Russia's economy, had thrown their weight behind President Yeltsin's re-election

Mr Berezovsky's service in the Kremlin may be curtailed after Izvestia, the Moscow evening newspaper, revealed that the tycoon also holds Israeli nationality. Reports in Israel confirmed that the Berezovsky family had emigrated to the Jewish state in November 1993 and received citizenship before returning to live in Russia. The matter is not

Berezovsky's ethnicity nor which country gave Berezov-sky his passport," said the newspaper. "It is simply this:

was "astonished" that he was

recovering so quickly.
Michael DeBakey. 88, the

American heart consultant who stood by during the operation, said Mr Yeltsin could be back at work in six weeks to two months and be

playing tennis within a few months. He added that the

President had five bypasses, more than expected, but that

had only technical signifi-

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nowhere in the world would a country name a person with foreign citizenship to a high government security post."

Many Israelis hold dual citizenship and use their non-

Israeli passports when travelling to areas hostile to the Jewish state, which diplomats said was why the appointment of Mr Berezowsky raised few eyebrows in Israel. An Israeli official s successive Israeli govern-

ments had raised no objection to the holding of dual nationality. But the attitude of foreign governments to the practice varied, with not every country sanctioning Jews who had emigrated to Israel retaining the nationality of their

country of origin.

Mr Berezovsky, a dapper
man who spends much of his time at his lavish apartment in Kensington, London, responded that the allegations against him were inspired by anti-Semitism and threatened to take Izvestia to court. "I am a citizen of Russia and whatever I have done in my life had to do with Russia alone," he said.

had to the operation."

According to Dr DeBakey, Mr Yeltsin's heart had been

working with only 20 per cent

efficiency in September and

40 per cent efficiency before the operation, but had "full

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Soldier strangled by infiltrators

Seoul: South Korean troops found the body of a 21-year-old private, believed to have been strangled by North Korean agents fleeing north from a stranded submarine. The body of Pyo Chong Ook was discovered under a pile of leaves and stripped of its uniform several miles from cance. "All of the vital signs where two North Korean that we use to determine how agents and three South Korea patient is doing are noran troops were killed in a clash on Tuesday. (AFP) mal." he said. "So I am very gratified by the response he

Extremists kill 31 villagers

Paris: Muslim fundamental-ists slaughtered 31 people in an attack on the Algerian village of Sid el Kebir on the road to Chrea in Blida province, 30 miles south of Algiers. The victims were said to have been killed in a cowardly way" - a euphemism for having their throats cut. At the weekend 13 people were killed the same way in Douadoua village. (Reuter)

Guerrillas join Cambodia army

Pailin: More than 2,500 members of a renegade Khmer Rouge faction, led by leng Sary, formally ended their links with the guerrilla movement to join the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces. Tea Banh, Co-Minister of Defence, told them that joining the legal Government will make everything better". (AFP)

Exotic pets for US die at airport

Pretoria: Hundreds of exone animals from Mozambique suffocated while waiting to be shipped from Johannesburg airport to America for sale as pets. Among the 2,500 creatures were chameleons. snakes, lizards, spiders and scorpions. (Reuter)

'Beef police' close Hard Rock Café it intends to "appeal against this decision

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

FRENCH "beef police" closed the Hard Rock Cafe in Paris yesterday, insisting that the restaurant had illegally imported British hamburgers, despite its claims that the meat was originally from Ireland. The closure, which remains in force for

at least two weeks, came after health inspectors from the Paris police said they had discovered 660lb of "illegal British beef in the kitchens at the restaurant.
The Hard Rock Cafe, a tourist mecca on

Boulevard Montmartre, issued a statement describing the action as "completely

unjustified and claiming the minced beef had merely been processed in Britain and labelled accordingly.

It said that the meat seized by the veterinary services "came from Irish cows

butchered in Ireland" and was therefore not affected by the ban. A spokesman for the American-style restaurant chain said that documents had been provided proving the origin of the beef, but the Paris authorities were unconvinced.

But police said in a statement that the Ministry of Agriculture had confirmed that the beef seized on October 28 was illegal and "represented a serious danger to public health". The restaurant said that

and use all the legal means at its disposal". The confiscated beef has since been incinerated.

France was the first country to ban British beef last March over fears that "mad cow disease" could be passed to human. A year before the ban went into force increases discovered another ship. force, inspectors discovered another shipment of British minced beef at the Paris Hard Rock Cafe without the correct health stamps, according to police.

Philippe Vasseur, the French Agriculture Minister, said yesterday that those caught selling British beef to France would face "very heavy penalties".

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Scandals cast long shadow on day of Clinton triumph

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton's reby the ful opponents could still derail a second term.

Bob Dole may have been beaten with ease, but Mr Clinton now faces the combined efforts of Kenneth Starr. the special prosecutor on Whitewater, congressional inquiries and angry Republi-cans baying for his blood. A Supreme Court decision next year on whether Paula Jones. a former Arkansas state employee, can proceed with her sexual harassment suit against the President while in office is perhaps small beer by

No political observer in Washington failed yesterday to notice the resemblance between Mr Clinton's re-election and that of Richard Nixon 24 years ago. However successful his attempts at domestic and foreign policy, the success of a second Clinton term will depend entirely on whether he can escape the scandals that cloud the horizon.

The question for Mr Clinton won't be 'What do you

want to do about the future?" but 'What did the President know and when did he know it?" said Stephen Ambrose. the Nixon historian. "It's

going to be like 1973-1974." In the bitterness of defeat, many Republicans at the Dole consolation party in Washingthat the Clinton Administration would soon be brought down. They were handing out bumper stickers marked Gore in 97, an allusion to the Vice-President's mandatory succession to the Oval Office should the Clintons be forced to resign in disgrace. A mock Hillary Clinton dressed in prison fatigues and dragging ball and chain limped through the event as a constant reminder of the outcome

many Republicans favour. "He is not going to survive. I think his wife will be indicted and he must then step down." Kevin O'Donovan, an aide to Elizabeth Dole, said.

Mr Starr, who is investigating the Whitewater affair, the sackings in 1993 of White House Travel Office staff and the illegal collection of FBI background files on hundreds

of Republicans, is also examining whether Clinton officials destroyed and hid legal documents or lied under oath.

Chief among his suspects are Mrs Clinton and Bernard Nussbaum. a former White House counsel. There is a general belief that Mr Starr has enough evidence to take the case to a grand jury and it is only a question of whether he has the chutzpah to do so. Much may depend on whether Mr Clinton antagonises his opponents by pardoning ei-ther his former Whitewater associates - or his wife.

The Justice Department is deciding whether to appoint another independent counsel to oversee investigations into illegal campaign financing, an issue raised only weeks before the election.

Republicans are eager to target the fundraising activities by the Democratic Party and Mr Clinton's links to the Lippo Group, an Indonesian conglomerate that donated almost \$1 million (£609,000) to Democrats and the White House re-election effort. Rening hearings on Capitol Hill.

Sex story hampered Dole

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

AFTER more than 45 years in public life. Bob Dole entered a strange new world of political oblivion last night, his ultimate dream shattered and only the mistakes of an unsuccessful campaign to be pondered by the poolside of a nondescript condominium in

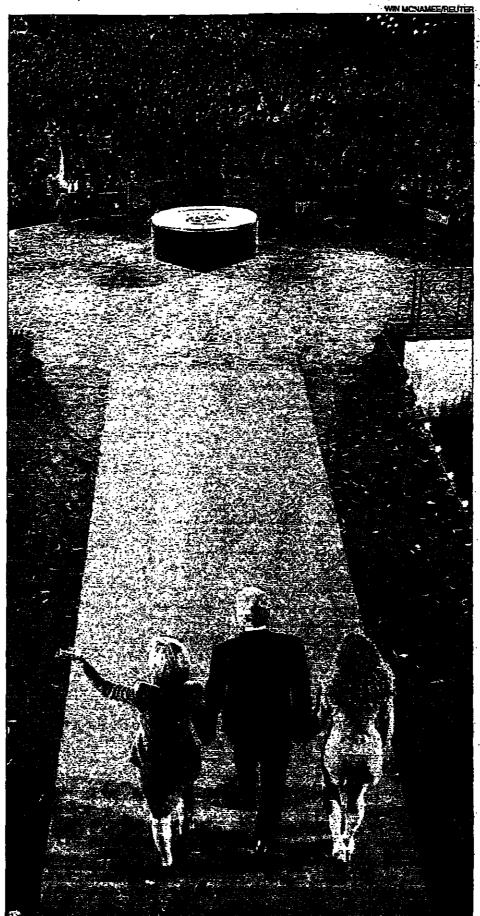
In the aftermath of his third attempt at the presidency, the outside analysis had already started with a spate of revelations, including the serious consideration earlier this year that Mr Dole had given to his wife Elizabeth as a vice-presidential running-mate.

An inside chronicle of the

campaign by Newsweek also reported that the Dole camp was paralysed for almost two months after learning in August that American journalists had interviewed a woman who claimed she had an extramarital affair in the late 1960s with the Republican candidate.

Few doubted yesterday that Mrs Dole, a capable former Cabinet secretary in successive Republican administrations and an eloquent foil to her husband, could have proved his most useful asset even though his political enemies would have quibbled about the creation of state an American monarchy". The alleged infidelity, seen by the White House as an insurance policy to be played only in extremis, explained why throughout the campaign Mr Dole refrained from attacking President Clinton's character.

In the end, however, the burden of responsibility must fall squarely on the shoulders of Mr Dole and his handlers. At 73, and often incomprehensible on the stump, he had failed to convince the postwar generation that he stood for anything other than forgotten values or was capable of leading America into the new millennium.



Bill Clinton with Hillary and daughter Chelsea walk down a red carpet to cheers from thousands of supporters celebrating his victory at Little Rock yesterday

Britain keeps a close watch for the new faces

The British Government will be taking an intense interest in the batch of appointments President Clinton is likely to make as many of his team retire. The most important post is

that of Secretary of State. Warren Christopher told President Clinton yesterday he would be resigning. In choosing a successor. Mr Clinton has to consider the views of the Republican Senate whose approval is required for this and all major oosts. His options are complicated by the presence of Jesse Helms, the crusty conservative chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The President will not want whoever he nominates to face protracted confirmation hearings. His candidate must command bipartisan support. In practice that suggests a short-list of five contenders. General Colin Powell. Richard Lugar. the veteran Indiana Republican senator. Madeleine Albright, at present Ambas-sador to the United Nations, George Mitchell, the former senator who is the convenor of the Northern Ireland peace

outgoing Georgia senator. Clinton officials publicly floated General Powell's name soon after the polls closed. The President offered him the post two years ago but he refused. If the general accepted now, it would preclude him making a bid for the Republican nomination in four years' time. He had also been critical of the Clinton style when he served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of

🕇 eneral Powell would be welcomed by Whitehall, although there are concerns that he is too cautious about the deployment of military force. If the President were determined to pick a Republican, Mr Lugar. a respected Anglophile and former Rhodes scholar, could be approached.- --- -- -- ---

enthusiasm for top female appointments and her personal friendship with Mr Helms Her tenure at the UN has been marked by a less than:

diplomatic style.

A more complicated choice would be Mr Mitchell. The former Senate majority leader has little direct foreign relations experience beyond his involvement with Northern Ireland. John Major might have concerns that a Mitchell appointment would imply a greater American involvement in the province, a situa-tion that would disturb the Prime Minister's relations with the Ulster Unionists. On the other hand, he is a known quantity to British officials.

r Nunn, a relatively 2 conservative Dem-V a ocrat who leaves his: Senate seat in January after 24: years, would be palatable to Republicans but has had an awkward relationship with Mr Clinton. A former chair-man of the Senate Armed Services Committee, he has taken an intense interest in Russian matters. This may prove a big advantage if President Yeltsin's health problems continue to produce instability in Russia. Assuming that the White House does not appoint either General.

Powell or Mr Lugar, Mr.

Nunn may be the man that Whitehall would welcome.

By contrast, Mr Clinton hopes to keep his economic team - Robert Rubin at the Treasury, Mickey Kantor at the Commerce Department, and Charlene Barshefsky as US Trade Representative together for at least another year. All three will have an interest in British Telecom's

efforts to merge with MCI.

The post of Transportation Secretary will generate more interest because of the proposed deal between British Airways and American Airlines. The incumbent, Federico Penzi is expected to leave, but no successor has emerged. That choice could make or A far less attractive choice is break BA's planning. Richard Ms. Albright. Her prospects. Branson, for one, will be are based on the Presidents. Tracella Prosely.

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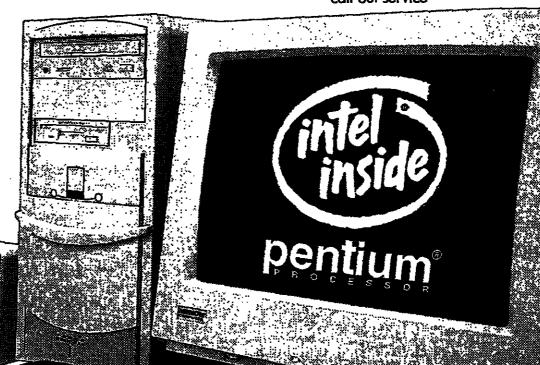
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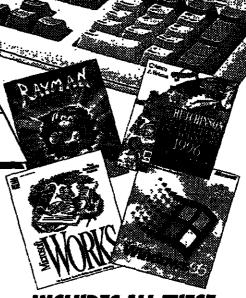
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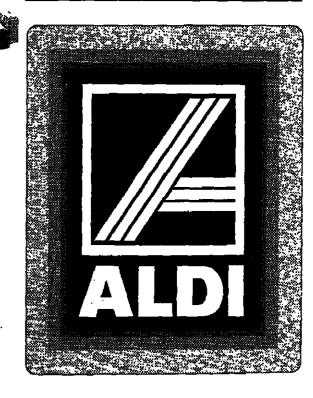
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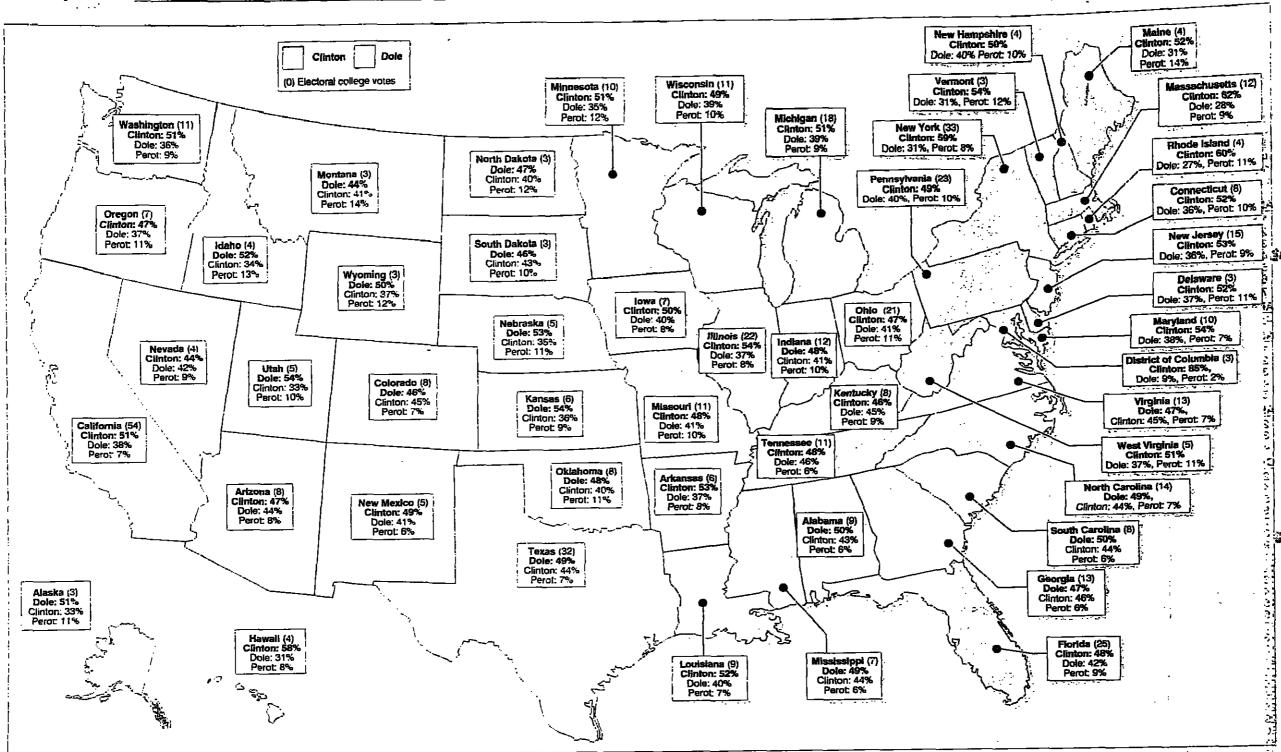


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terday celebrated an historic victory in Tuesday's presidential election, but one that fell mandate he had coveted. Dismissed as irrelevant just

two years ago, he coasted to reelection by carrying 31 states to Bob Dole's 19 and, in the process, became the youngest of the 13 American Presidents to gain re-election.

He swept the North, East and industrial Midwest. Mr Clinton split the South and won Florida, which no Democrat had carried since 1976. Arizona, which last voted Democratic 48 years ago, and California, into which Mr Dole had poured resources during the final days. However, the electorate also limited his freedom of action by letting the Republicans keep control of Congress, and barely awarded him the outright popular-vote majority he bad-

ly needed to rebuff his critics. Just 49 per cent of eligible Americans cast votes, the lowest turnout in 72 years. Of



Americans who bothered to vote opted for more of the same, giving the two parties no choice but to compromise, Martin Fletcher reports

those who did, nearly threefifths told exit polisters they considered the President dishonest. Half of those who voted for Mr Clinton had reservations.

With a few votes yet to be counted. Mr Clinton had between 49 and 50 per cent to Mr Dole's 41 and Ross Perot's eight - less than half the number the Texan billionaire won in 1992. The President's coat-tails proved very short. The Republicans increased their Senate majority by one or two seats, depending on an Oregon recount. They clung on to the House of Representatives, but lost about a dozen seats overall and will have the

slimmest majority since 1953. An electorate that angrily ejected President Bush from

the White House in 1992 and the Democrats from Congress in 1994 was this year pacified by an economy that has grown

> age that both parties must govern from the centre. Mr Clinton won four more years only by recasting himself as a moderate Republican. The Republicans held on to Congress only by abandoning "revolution". Eleven first-term Republicans, Newt Gingrich's former storm-troopers, lost their House seats, and exit polls showed voters disliked Mr Gingrich

for 68 consecutive months. It opted to maintain the status

quo, but with the clear mess-

by a two-to-one margin. The voters "are sending us a message - work together, meet our challenges, put aside

build America's communing together. Mr Clinton de clared in his victory speech to 40,000 ecstatic supporters in country ahead of party.

Mr Gingrich and Treffr Lott, the Republican Senate

leader, both chastened by the results, expressed a willing ness to work with Mr Clinton's Democrats yesterday and, given the Republicans tiny House majority, they with have to if they are to achieve anything, However, the Republicans also gave a warning that they will use their continued control of Congress to investigate relentlessly the scandals that marred Mr Clife ton's first term, not least the campaign contributions that the Democrats may have illegally received from Asians businessmen.

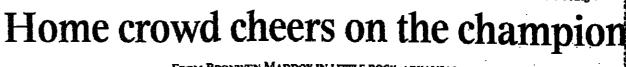
The results almost exactly, replicated those of 1972 when President Nixon was swep back into office. Mr Clinton's conservative enemies believe the parallel could be extended: with this President also being through the second term.

in the campaign's last wee Mr Clinton vowed to fight for comprehensive campaign finance reform, but yesterday S New York Times gave a warnt ing that "reform rhetoric and legislation will have no authority unless Mr Clinton starts today to quit playing defence on financial scanda cleans house if necessary an co-operates with legitima

Tuesday's biggest loser w Mr Perot. The booming econi my meant there was far le anger for him to exploit that in 1992, and there must be

serious doubts whether hi infant Reform Party will sur vive. In his concession speech take a little break and the





FROM BRONWEN MADDOX IN LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS surprise in this race is that President. Unable to stay still.

AS EACH new sign of victory glowed on the television screens in the Excelsior Hotel's presidential suite. Bill Clinton grabbed the telephone and dialled party workers and congressional candidates in that state. By Spm. flanked by his wife Hillary and his daughter Chelsea, he had made dozens

One of the first he rang was New Hampshire, a state which had been firmly Republican but which elected a new Democratic Governor and senator at the same time

Mr Clinton ran down to the campaign staff room on the

18th floor. He was chanting with aides when the three television networks simultaneously projected that he had won. A cheer went up and Mr Clinton began circling the room, hugging his staff.

At 9.25pm the presidential suite received the call from Bob Dole conceding the race. He and Mr Clinton chatted for 20 minutes. His staff. stunned that the victory they had expected had at last become real, said: "The great there wasn't one." Outside, a crowd of 40,000 gathered in front of the lawns and white pillars of the Old State House. the state capitol.

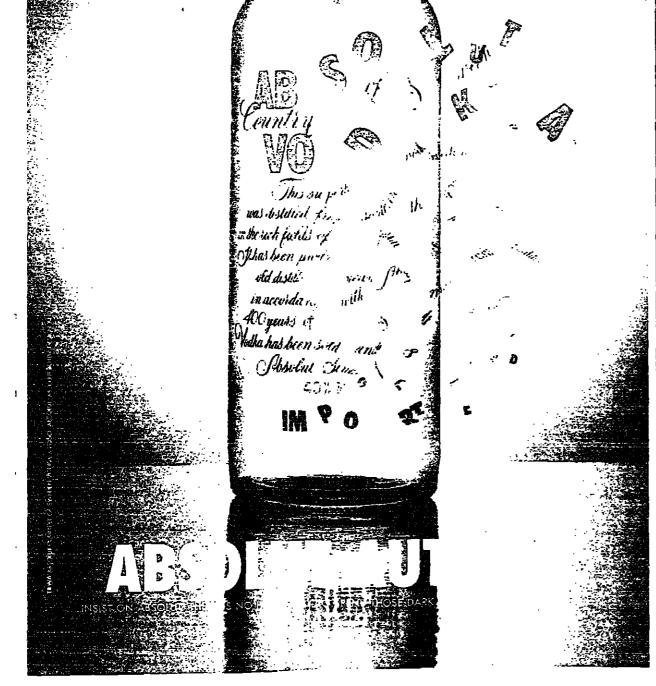
vendors and tugged over ordinary clothes, proclaimed "Littie Rock rocks for Bill Clinton" and "Encore" over a picture of the President playng the saxophone.

As the results of each state flashed on 40ft screens, Tom. Lewis. a burly 40-year-old. said: "They ought to give Ross Perot at least one state - he's spent enough money for at

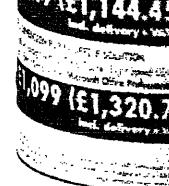
least one." Finally, at 10.50 the President and Al Gore, the Vice-President, together with their families, filed out on to

the front steps.
As Mr Clinton hugged his T-shirts bought from street , wife and daughter and an nounced to the American public "I thank you from the bottom of my heart", the Little Rock crowd began to disperse amiably through the streets. The price of T-shirts fell from \$10 (£6) to \$5 and lapel badge were suddenly three for J

dollar. "It feels like the day after Christmas already," said one Clinton supporter.



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Hopefuls who found a seat in the House

This is a list of the newly elected House of Representatives. In the results, issued by Associated Press, the first figure indicates the congressional district number. AL shows a Representative elected "at large", where the state is not split into districts; the district is followed by the candidate and the winning party: (i) shows incumbent candidates. Missing district numbers show where results were unavailable at time of going to press.

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Dennis Peron, who led the campaign to have marijuana legalised, rides high on success

California takes lid off pot

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

DEFYING police, federal law and medical opinion, California's long-running campaign to legalise marijuana won a stunning victory on election night to allow "medicinal" use. In Arizona an even more

sweeping measure, which requires treatment and probation instead of jail for "recreational" drug users, was approved. Califormia's Proposition 209, a grassroots initiative legalising the growing of marijuana but not its sale, will now be rubber-stamped into law by the state assembly. It was the big electoral upset on the West Coast, gaining 56 per cent of the vote, and was trumpeted yesterday as a sign of "babyboomers taking control". The

proposition, which had failed

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twice in recent years to survive debate in the state assembly, was sold directly to voters as a virtual lifesaver for sufferers from Aids. cancer and glaucoma. Patients who had turned increasingly to illegal "cannabis buyers' clubs" for relief say that smoking "pot" eases symptoms and boosts the appetite under chemotherapy and harsh Aids drug regimens. Critics, including both presi-dential candidates, condemned

the measure as a blow to the national war on drugs and a smokescreen for more general legalisation of marijuana. TV advertisements insisting that no 'good science" endorses marijuana's medical use were ignored. "This thing is a disaster; we're going to have an unprecedented

7 Edward Markey D (1)

MICHIGAN

mess," Dan Lungren, California's Attorney-General, said on Tuesday night. He could order marijuana prosecutions under federal law, but it is thought unlikely. Mr Lungren was humiliated last month after ordering a raid on a San Fransisco cannabis buyers' club which local police had tolerated.

Bolstered by the victorious Arizona measure, Proposition 209 is likely to be widely copied in other states.

California's other closely watched ballot measure, the controversial attempt to outlaw "affirmative action" programmes favouring women and ethnic minorities, passed comfortably but was attacked in court yester

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3 Robert Borski D (i)

4 Ron Klink D (i)

5 John Peterson R

6 Tim Holden D (i)

7 Curt Weldon R (i)

9 Bud Shuster R (i)

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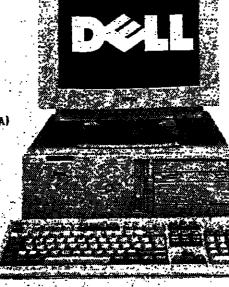
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Why Yeltsin's danger signs were missed

s Russian consumption of spirits leads the world - and the country's leader was known to enjoy the occasional glass — it was, perhaps, an understandable misdiagnosis to assume that President Yeltsin's increasingly bloated face, with droopy eyelids, and his dry, coarse skin, were entirely the result of alcohol. Nobody noticed either that the outer halves of his eyebrows were thinning, or that his enlarging tongue had thickened his voice.

The world's press, and the presidential doctors, did Yeltsin an injustice. Only during his medical examinations before surgery was it revealed that he had a dangerously low thyroid function, and was suffering from myxoedema. Whereas

the problems caused by an over-active thyroid are usually easily diagnosed (I spotted a classic case among the huge crowd at Battersea fireworks this week). the signs and symptoms of an under thyroid active manifest themselves so insidiously that the changes they have caused are fre-

quently missed.
A missed diagnosis of myxoedema in a private citizen endangers their life, even though its extreme state, in which the patient lapses into coma, must be almost unheard of in civilised countries. The danger to

psychological wellbeing, is that too little thyroxine, the hormone produced by the thyroid, predis-poses patients to raised blood cholesterol and subsequently atheromatous changes in their arteries - in particular those of the heart, neck and brain. Atheroma is the fatty substance which blocks diseased

As well as suffering damage caused by atheroma, the heart becomes enlarged and dilated, the beat is slow, and fluid may accumulate around the heart and in the abdominal and pieurai cavities. As part of the general slowing down of the system the patient becomes extremely conscious of the cold. and is very constipated. The general thickening of the tissues causes pressure on the peripheral nerves so that sufferers complain of tingling, pins and needles and pain in their hands and feet.

Heavy drinkers also develop these symptoms in their fingers and toes and one can imagine the Kremlin doctors tuttutting as they looked meaningfully at the drinks cupboard, when what would really have helped the President would have been a few simple blood tests. Tests would have shown that not only did he have inadequate thyroxine levels, but that he was anaemic.

When myxoedema affects the leader of one of the great powers it could endanger the world. Too little thyroxine has profound effects on intellectual capacity. and even rationality. While doctors have been pondering as to whether Mr Yeltsin's increasingly slow, husky voice, delayed responses and laboured movements were the early signs of Parkinson's - or the late signs of a heavy night - they may well have been results of his underactive thyroid.

Sir Edward Heath and Boris Yeltsin have aged in similar ways

Classically the pace of thought in patients with too little thyroid is so retarded that they find it hard to think of

more than one problem at a time, and if

asked to do so can become frustrated and

irritable. Their character may subtly but

inexorably change; in some cases this

change may be so marked that the

resulting loss of composure is described

as myxoedematous dementia, or mad-

recent times to have had thyroid disease.

Helmut Schmidt, the former German

Chancellor, had an over-active thyroid

which was apparently diagnosed by the

British Foreign Office before it was by his

own doctors, and at about the same time it

became known that Sir Edward Heath

had become myxoedematous. Even now

there is a striking resemblance in the way in which Mr Yeltsin and Sir Edward have

aged. Both have the same low-pitched,

growly voice and heavy features. Tele-

vision films of Sir Edward taken between

1966 and 1976 demonstrate changes

Mr Yeltsin is not the only leader in

Minister was not on top form, but none of us seemed to have spotted the signs which look so obvious in retrospect. Women, too, can suffer from myxoedema and in them the diagnosis can be even more difficult than with men. If their hypothyroidism is part of a more general hormonal disfunction it may well be that their skin is not as dry and coarse as would be expected. The absent, or thinning, hair may also be less striking. Patients may well notice changes in their

usually associated with a poorly-acting

thyroid, but they were missed by his

medical colleagues in the House. Three of

us had dinner together at the end of one session, we all realised that the Prime

menstrual cycle. Hypothyroidism is re-

puted to cause heavy periods, whereas hyperthyroidism (too active a thyroid gland) usually results in scant perihyperthyroidism is part of a general hormonal upset it is

not unusual to find that periods are very light, or can even disappear altogether. The reward of

treating patients is to see their personality so restored that their lifestyle im-proves out of all recognition. One patient was the dread of his company - bossy, aggressive, rude,

demanding, irrational and prone to outbursts. His notoriety went before him and I received the news that he was due to see me for his annual medical with some trepidation. As soon as he came into my rooms all was explained. Sitting opposite me was a classic case of someone with an over-active thyroid. The causes of this took some unravel-

ling, but now his life, and that of his office, colleagues and family is revolutionised. He is more efficient, easygoing, pleasant, calm and even kindly. It is not surprising that one of the first modern detailed book written for lay people on medicine, The Physical Basis of Personality, dwelt heavily on the affects of thyroid function

on behaviour. Treatment for myxoedema is not com-plicated, but needs careful administration. If thyroxine levels are restored too quickly to those whose coronary arteries are damaged, the sudden increase in activity of the heart, prompted by the therapeutic doses of hormone, may be too



The Duchess of York — always a danger her type of personality might over-react

Is the **Duchess** really a suicidal type?

FEW people can have had such a battering recently as the Duchess of York, and she herself has said that suicide had crossed her mind. It was the thought of her two daughters that stopped her from taking such an exattentions of her creditors and the media. The Duchess would not immediately seem to have

thir

the personality of a person who would readily re sort to suicide. Although she has problems in controlling some of her impulses, and suffers from various compulsions. she is otherwise resolute and determined and has never given the appearance of someone who would be easily riven by guilt

and remorse. However, she has a very varied social life which provides many different in fluences, and therefore it would not be surprising if, from time to time, she was exhausted and depressed. There is always a danger that an impulsive person, who is rather indifferent to the unwritten rules of society, might over-react in This eventuality is hard to guard against as there is no magic pill in a bottle which can alter a person's fundamental approach

RECENTLY Chad Rostron, a consultant ophthalmologist at St George's Hospital in London, wrote in Pulse magazine of the red eye which can afflict contact lens wearers. The mechanical irritation caused by a contact lens if it fits poorly, or is worn too long, can be enough to cause a red eye. And all lenses, even gas permeable or soft lenses, to some extent

deprive the cornea of oxygen, which makes the condition worse. Mr Rostron writes that if somebody is . unwise enough to wear the wrong lens for too long, overnight for instance, it is

Lens wearers see red

possible, with the help of the correct instruments, to see that the covering of the cornea has been breached. This age allows infection to gain access and raises the possibility of corneal ulceration. Pulse observes that contactwearing patients love their lenses so dearly that their consultation over red eyes often starts: "I have sore; red eye, but it is not due to my contact lens ... ". But the lenses usually are responsible.

If infection does occur, and if the organism is one of the more dangerous but comparatively common varieties, such as pseudomonas, the eye is at risk. However, not all red eyes in patients wearing contact lenses are the result of badly fitting lenses and subsequent infections - they may just be because of irritation from the contact lens solution.

Patients always insist that they clean their lenses very carefully, but hypersensitivity to the solution can develop whereby only a small amount of it may cause a vigorous reaction.

The perils of equality

AS women get closer to achieving equality at work, the diseases they suffer from are matching the male pattern. The Office for National Statistics reported this week that lung cancer has fallen by a third in men but risen by 11

changes in the smoking patterns Equally important is coronary heart disease (CHD) in

women. There is an established but erroneous myth that women do not suffer from ischaemic heart disease. In fact CHD kills more women than the better publicised cancers of the breast, ovary or uterus -

from coronary heart disease each year. Being female is an advantage only before the menopause. Thereafter women are as vulnerable as men to the risk factors of

smoking, raised cholesterol, diabetes or high blood pres-

Diagnosing CHD in women is more difficult because the

67,000 women die standard ECG test is harder to interpret for lemales, it in therefore, be expected that women with possible cardiac problems would be more carefully investigated than men but the reverse is true. If there is doubt about a man's symptoms or the interpretation of his ECG, he is four times more likely than a woman to have an X-ray of the coronary arteries, known as an

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War heroine loses last battle

rs Daphne Mac-donald was a most unusual macwho died recently, aged 88, from a most unusual cancer She had a Merkel's small cell tumour of the skin which normally first appear as dark red, purplish, smooth raised lumps. If treated early when confined to the skin (her primary tumour was never found) the lumps can be excised and the patient given radiotherapy and chemothera-py. usually with excellent

Unfortunately, as in Mrs Macdonald's case, diagnosis is usually made after the turnour has spread from the skin to other organs. At this stage cure is very unlikely. although palliative treatment will often control symptoms for a time. Mrs Macdonald's first indication of trouble was two attacks of pneumonia, which necessitated admission to hospital, last winter. Pneumonia is the description of a symptom rather than a precise diagnosis and this case is a good example of how important it is to discover the

underlying cause. Unlike most skin cancers. Merkel's small cell tumours do not seem to have a close relationship to exposure to sunlight, although they are more common on the limbs and face. Even so, Mrs Mac-

Brave spirit who fought invasion succumbed to illness in old age



Mrs Daphne Macdonald

donald's early married life was spent in the Indian sun, and she had a vulnerable type one skin; fair skin and reddish

During the Second World War in the Far East the Japanese advanced through Burma to the borders of Assam, India. In 1943 Mrs Macdonald's husband. Ranald Macdonald, was ap-pointed Superintendent of the Lushai hills and became the proconsul controlling 9,000 square miles of Assam with a 100-mile front facing the Japanese. The Macdonalds' story is told in the book The Men Who Ruled India, by Philip Mason.

British defences had been set up in such places as Kohima and Inphal, but it was decided that the surrounding distant hills could not be

The people of every village in the Lushai hills arranged secret hiding places in the jungle where they could go when the Japanese ap-proached, and where food and ammunition could be stored. Each village contributed volunteers to the irregular

bands of young men, commanded by Mr Macdonald, who kept up guerrilla activities in their own hills, harrying the Japanese, laying booby traps, destroying bridges and denying the enemy food and water. The Lushai tribesmen also provided the British forces with constant intelligence, and raiding parties led by Mr Macdonald ventured into the neighbouring Chin hills, where they destroyed Japanese installations far behind the front line.

Daphne Macdonald, together with their small boy, stayed with her husband and was the only European woman in the thousands of miles defended by the hill tribesmen. She worked a wireless set, decoded the messages, and organised the headquarters. The only leave she had was when she became pregnant with her second child. She walked 100 miles over the hills to the doctor and 100 miles back again, after her antenatal ex-

was the tribesmen's loyalty, that no Lushai tribesman ever defected to the Japanese and there is no record of them ever giving away information of British troop movements. Following independence, and after the Macdonalds had returned to Britain, the Lushai Hills were incorporated into the state of Mizoram, but the tribesmen did not forget their wartime leader and his wife, and the usual process of altering the old colonial names was reversed. A hill in the centre of the state's capital, Aizawi, lost its local name of Thunghui Huan was renamed, and is still known as,

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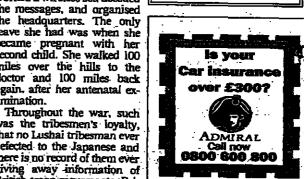
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'In any crisis you can get fun out of the simplest things'

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Larry Hollingworth was one of the few heroes to emerge from the Bosnian conflict. Interview by Jane Shilling

God the Father, or Mr Tony Benn — makes you wish very much that you were a better person. Such is the force of his personality that one can feel this without ever having encountered him in the flesh. Between 1992 and 1994, when he was chief of opera-tions for the United Nation's Commissioner for Refugees in Sarajevo and central Bosnia. the television news bulletins regularly featured his arresting figure - a magnificently arded compromise between Father Christmas and Methu-- inveighing with heartstopping eloquence against the atrocities he daily

His indignation at the inhu-manities practised on all sides, and his determination to force a passage for aid to enter the blockaded enclaves, despite the inadequacy of the UN's mandate, lent Hollingworth a remarkable moral authority. "In a conflict with few real heroes, he was one," wrote

Hollingworth's book on his experiences in Bosnia, Merry Christmas Mr Larry, is low-key on the subject of personal heroics. An admirably clear account of the extraordinary blend of horror, muddle, boredom and cameraderie that is war, it is sometimes comic (particularly at sticky moments - his description of himself attempting, trouserless, to tackle a deranged. bayonet-wielding Ukrainian

There is something about Larry Holling-worth which — like soldier is a small masterpiece of slapstick); and always informed by a steady, observing sensibility that does not fear to identify and condemn evil an unusual and rather alarming quality, in these days of moral relativism.

So it is that, on the morning before our interview I find myself nervously picking fluff from my jacket and polishing my shoes - feeling, confusedly, I suppose, that if I am unlikely to impress him with my sterling moral qualities. I may at least score some points for tidiness.

In fact, it is hard to think of

anything less calculated to impress Larry Hollingworth than a shiny pair of shoes. He may be an old soldier (he served 30 years in the Army, mainly in the Ordnance Corps, leaving in 1990, at the age of 49, as a Lieutenant-Colonel) but he was never a great one for parade-ground chic. "I never quite looked the military image," he reflects, adding that he gave up shav-ing on the day he left. Clearly his flowing beard serves some pose than that of merely keeping his chin warm. Is it a symbol of something? "I think it is. It says that I'm me now.

this is how I am." His role in Bosnia gave him the opportunity to run his own show, something by which he sets huge store: "I don't like being led. I very much like to lead." But it also plunged him into events which, television pictures notwithstanding, it is almost impossible to imagine taking place in the 1990s, no

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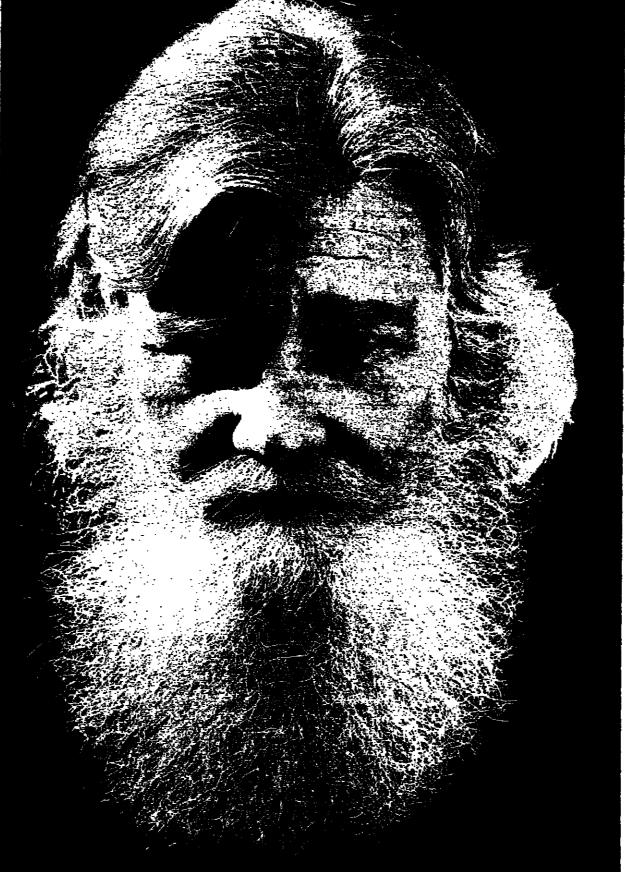
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"I wanted to cry. I wanted to drag the people who were responsible for this from their offices to share this scene with me"

more than a couple of hours' camp with Somali refugees flight away from London. Two images from his book

remain to haunt one, long after one has finished reading it. Onesis of Hollingworth negotiating, pleading, cajoling, and finally bouncing up and down, spluttering with rage like some Rumpelstiltskin of the Balkans, endlessly trying to take in aid to the starving, the sick, the dying and always too little, too late.

The other is of him forlornly

wandering, like Tolstoy's Pierre on the battlefield at Borodino, from scene to scene of ever more dreadful carnage. Perhaps the most terrible was at Srebrenica where, by the light of a bonfire, he caught sight of two small children gnawing on a lump of something. Drawing closer, he saw that it was a raw horse's hoof. "I wanted to be sick." he writes. "I wanted to cry. I really wanted to scream. I wanted to drag the people who were responsible for this from their offices, from their trench-

scene with me." It is an image straight from the inferno. Does he believe in hell? "I think hell is here. The tragedy is that we impose it on others ourselves." He was brought up a Roman Catholic "I haven't lost it though I haven't been a good one. But I believe in God — though I think that He has a week off a bit too often." And yes, he admits, he is tempted to despair by what he encounters in his work. (He is currently in Dagestan, trying to persuade

es, to stand and share this

he's finished in Dagestan, he would quite like to tackle Goma in Zaire.) So much courage, so much effort and endurance and emotion expended for such uncertain return. Why does he do it? "Because," he says, fervently and unexpectedly, "it is fun."

Chechen refugees that it is safe

for them to return home. After

"Oh yes. In any crisis you get fun out of the simplest of things. When I was in the don't really know. I don't

we lived in a mud hut with cockroaches and beetles and flies. We had maybe three litres of water a day. And you to wash with it or drink it. And

This may be your idea of fun, I say. Most people would call it dire extremity. Furthermore, it is very hard on your family. You would barely know, from Merry Christmas Mr Larry, that he had a family. His wife and children appear in the dedication, to Josie, Sarah-Jo and Matthew", it is true, but they have to share the honour with an awful lot of other bods - the British Army, the UNHCR and the entire "people of Bosnia — Serb, Croat and Muslim"...

it does become fun."

e agrees, it is hard on them. "I suppose it is a selfish life. I thoroughly enjoy what I do and it must be in some degree to the detriment of family life. You're not there to attend graduations, birthday parties, anniversaries, dinner parties . . . And the problem is that it never enters your head that you're not there for these things, because you are so involved in what you're doing."

Perhaps, I hazard, the absences actually make relationships work better? The intensity when he is back compensating for the long periods away? "I think," he says rather sadly, "that absence may dull as opposed to intensify. No one who is not with you at the time can fully understand and share what you have had. Because you are working in close teams, the team almost is your family. And when you come out of it. you suddenly find that you can't swap that anecdote or relate that incident, because the people you are with weren't there with you."

And how does his family feel about that? A long silence. "I

suppose it is the sort of thing you want to know the answer to, really." So here we are again, back

at why does he do it. As is not uncommon among soldiers, he gives the impression of having a complicated inner life, and being well aware of the fact, without feeling that this is something worth spending any time thinking about. He mentions several times how happy he is with his own company. "I am a solitary person. It doesn't bother me that there is no disco in Dagestan."

Yet he is evidently drawn to the high-profile. Before he joined the Army he wanted to be an actor, and he also flirted with the idea of becoming a telly star: "I would like to have made documentaries. But it wasn't to be. I haven't grown up. I still don't know what I really want to do ..."

What he would like is pow-"The biggest problem with this life is that you say to yourself, I know I could do more. I need a position of power to do more. Looking back, I would have liked to have aimed at something which would have given me the power to solve some of the injustices which I see." You'd like to have been a politician? "I think that's the only solution. They're the only people with any real power."

In fact, what he sees himself doing in a decade's time is not leaning on a dispatch box in the House of Commons, but writing about life. He has begun a novel, about Chechnya. The central character is an aid worker, and he falls in love with a doctor from a Chechen hospital. I am," he adds, "a tyro at this game. But I would like eventually to put all these things into perspec tive. But I still think that I would like to be able to go back and do a week or so with the refugees. It's such satisfying work. The job is always beyond you."

Merry Christmas Mr Larry is published by Heinemann, £16.99

POETRY AND REMEMBRANCE

Innocent victims

THERE are many victims of war apart from the combatants. Goya devoted a suite of etchings to *The Disasters of War* to show how innocent people are sucked into its violence and brutality. Women and children suffer the hardest. In 1942, in retaliation for the murder of Reinhard Heydrich, the deputy head of the SS, the German Army levelled Lidice, a village in Czechoslovakia, shot 180 men and women and sent 150 to a concentration camp. This is described movingly in a poem by Ernst Waldinger.

"All the men were shot; as for the town It is a town of ashes, it is gone. All the women were driven away to places

Where they will never see their children's faces."

The slaughter of entire village populations has become all too typical of the civil wars that have broken out around the world in the 1990s. Civil wars produce the greatest barbarism. This poem records an incident in Bosnia.

KENNETH BAKER

HOLGER TESCHKE

The Minutes of Hasiba from an interview on 6 November 1992

They came at night with their flashlights Through PARTISANS' HALL They took me with them and we drove To a bridge over the Drina

On the bridge stood Ten older women Tied up And fifteen soldiers They yelled Here comes one of yours See how we love her

Then they did everything with me All fifteen of them Afterwards they smoked and put out their cigarettes In my hair Then one soldier took His knife and slit a farmer's throat Not quite through So that his head stayed on his shoulders

It didn't bother me anymore I had Seen so much already I didn't care Then he tore his head off entirely and they played Soccer with it and laughed and laughed

I knew the farmers They were Neighbours colleagues relatives Just a few weeks ago I knew most Of the soldiers too They were Neighbours colleagues relatives They were Men like you

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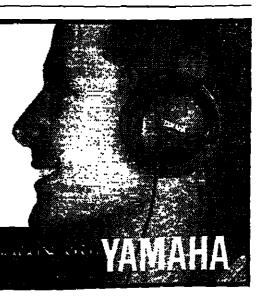
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Sorry: your mea culpa is inexcusable

Magnus Linklater asks why

the art of apology is so seldom practised by public figures

lways apologise, never explain was one of those sensible, if irritating, sayings which nannies were once famous for. (Actually. "never apologise, never explain" is a garbled version of a famous letter to The Times by the Royal Navy's last great seadog. Jacky Fisher.) I've always found the nannies' advice of limited value. The art of the convincing apology depends on more than a simple "I'm sorry". It should demonstrate contrition rather than convenience. It should indicate a resolution never to repeat the fault. Timing is all-important too soon and it sounds glib.

too late and it's too late.

We have had a deluge of apologies this week, but only one of them seems to fulfil all these conditions. When Paul Gascoigne says he is sorry for beating his wife he may give every evidence of meaning it, but we cannot entirely share his confidence that good behaviour will be maintained. When the Duchess of York confesses her failings in the pages of *Hello!*, we may be forgiven for wondering whether her penitence has anything to do with the need to reduce a seven-figure overdraft. And Fyona Čampbell's remorse at

cheating on her round-the-world walk would be a little more convinc-ing if it did not coincide with a publicity drive for her new book.

The one genuine apology was, ironically, the one that seemed least neces-

sary. Judge Jeffrey Rucker told a mugger convicted of robbing a terrified schoolgirl of her Rolex watch that he was sorry to have given him such a heavy sentence; he proposed to cut it from four to 21/2 years. It was a convincing, if unexpected, gesture. The judge clearly meant what he said. He intake, and it came in time to save the accused 18 months in prison. Needless to say, the word "sorry" was not detectable on the lips of the mugger

himself in return. But if this is indeed the season to be sorry, we should not condemn too quickly, rather we should persuade others to join the queue - journalists, perhaps, or politicians. I can think of nothing that would have a more immediate impact on the current moral debate than a few public figures confessing the error of their ways. I am not thinking of the statutory resignation letter to the Prime Minister apologising for any embarrassment caused by some three-in-a-bed scandal. Nor would I endorse the Shorter Oxford English Dictionary's definition of the verb apologise, which is "to offer defensive arguments; to make excuses". Instead I urge the kind of apology one could describe as handsome, for a mistake of exceptional

proportions. I am prepared to be flexible about the timing. For instance, it would do much for the general stature of Chancellors of the Exchequer if, say, Lord Barber were to beg our par-dons for taking the brake off the economy in the early 1970s sion; I searched in vain for an apology in his recent memoirs. And there are quite a few newspaper editors still around who willed him on at the time,

all went wrong. What about John Nott accepting responsibility for the ing HMS Endurance from service despite being warned against it by Lord Carring-ton, so tipping off the Arg-entinians that Britain had lost interest? It was Carrington who did the honourable thing by resigning, which seems, in retrospect, the wrong way round. Perhaps Nigel Lawson might admit he was ill-advised to tie the pound too close-Thatcher could concede that the poll tax was a ghastly mis-take. But I realise I am beginning to enter the realms of fantasy.

More immediately, Sir Nicholas Scott might well have won the backing of his constituency association rath-er than their condemnation if he had been more forthcoming about his conduct in Brighton

and less grudging in his apology. "Look," he might have said. "I overdid it at the Irish Exceptional Embassy party. hands up, it was a mistakes disgrace. I'm sorry. I'll stand down if require you want me to, but if you can bear me handsome to carry on I give apologies you my word such a

thing will never happen again." Too late? I don't know.

There is a tradition of decency in politics as well as journalism, and strong evidence that a proper gesture of contrition, far from being seen as weakness, can enhance reputations. Michael Heseltine admitted he had in the House of Commons during an impassioned debate in 1976, and was forgiven. Both Carrington and his junior minister Richard Luce emerged well from their decision to accept responsibility and resign from the Foreign Office in 1982. Peter Brooke apologised immediately and honourably for offending Northem Irish opinion by singing My Darling Clementine on Irish television during a chat

his mistake in printing hoax pictures of Diana, Princess of Wales. He is still Editor of The I would not want to encourage a sudden rash of apologies - that would debase the currency. Nor would I urge the Japanese alternative, whereby a loss of face entails ritual humiliation and even, in extreme cases. hara kiri. Disembowelling is a messy business. But I do believe that the reintroduction of the full apology, and its working part-

show, and survived with his

reputation intact. Stuart Hig-

gins, the Editor of The Sun.

promptly and openly admitted

ner, a strong dose of Presbyterian guilt, would have a cleansing effect. I look to the Cabinet to provide a lead. Don't all speak



dented political event - 13 out of 18 incumbent US presidents seeking re-election in this century have been successful - but it is an important moral event and could prove a dangerous economic portent. I have quoted before from Robert Bork's new book Slouching Towards Gomorrah; I agree with what he writes about Bill Clinton.

Thirty years ago, Clinton's behaviour would have been absolutely disqualifying. Since the 1992 election, the public has learned far more about what is known, euphemistically, as the "character issue". The additional information adds new charges to a list that is already lengthy. Yet noon of that is already lengthy. Yet, none of this appears to affect Clinton's popularity. It is difficult not to conclude that something about our moral perceptions and reactions has changed profoundly. If that change is perma-nent, the implications for our future

It is not just what Clinton has done. but the electoral acceptance of what most people now believe he has done that is disturbing. No doubt the details of his conduct are still matters for investigation and dispute. My own judgment is that he ran a corrupt administration in Arkansas as Governor, and has run a corrupt Administration in the White House as President: there are ex-colleagues in jail to prove that. The classic standard for the government of human society is "Justice, Truth and the Common Good". There is substantial evidence that Clinton's Administration has habitually obstructed justice. told lies in its own defence, and put private before public interest.

Now Clinton has been re-elected after a campaign in which these issues were widely discussed; serious new issues of improper political funding emerged. More than half of those polled said that they regarded Clinton as untrustworthy. Less than a quarter of the electorate actually voted for him. If these issues had not been raised, or the electorate had not believed the charges, one could have said that Clinton won his second term because people did not know what sort of man he was. That, after all, could have been said about the election of John F. Kennedy in 1960, when very few people knew about his private life or the past connections of his father. This explanation is not now available. However few may have voted, the American people knew what they were doing on Tuesday. They knew that their President

had been repeatedly involved in what

Americans have re-elected a corrupt Administration; they will regret it Roosevelt won his second term. It

would until recently have been considered unacceptable conduct, and they decided it did not matter. The political culture of the United States was founded on puritan idealism. President Reagan used often to quote John Winthrop's statement that the new colony of Massachu-setts, which he founded in 1630, must be "a city set on a hill". What Jesus actually said was: "A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." The US is a very large and diverse nation. Unless it is held together by shared idealism, it is hard to suppose that it can long be held together at all. When a President runs a morally

defective Administration, that will have an impact on the coherence of the

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Americans, most of whom had come from Europe, used

to compare the innocence and virtue of their country with the cynicism of the continent they left behind. There may now be no country in the EU where a prime minister could survive the charges that have been brought. with substantial evidence, against Clinton. Perhaps it could still happen in Greece. It is inconceivable that a British Prime Minister could survive. France did suffer two terms of President Mitterrand, which may be the closest parallel, but the age of Mitterrand is over, and the French, when they re-elected him, did not know half what they know now. The Americans have re-elected Clinton

with their eyes open. The consequences are alarming both for America and for the Western world. The West has a brief opportunity between the decline of Russia and the rise of China. Europe has wasted most of the present decade by pursuing the dangerous irrelevance of the single currency. America has wasted it on a shallow prosperity -- even the recovery has not greatly strengthened the American economy. Neither Europe nor America is prepared for the global competition of the next century. For America, the progressive shift of wealth and power to Asia will be humiliating and perhaps destabilising.

The 1996 election has been compared to that of 1936, when Franklin was nothing like that. Roosevelt won by a landslide, and had a large majority in both Houses of Congress. A better comparison might be the presidential election of 1928, when Herbert Hoover was elected. Then as now there was a booming stock market; then as now there was widespread economic optimism; then as now, incumbents were given the benefit of the doubt by a complacent and comfortable electorate. We know, of course, what happened in 1929.

A more interesting parallel might be the election of 1872, when Ulysses

S. Grant, the greatest general on the Wall Northern side in the systa &: Civil War, was running for re-election. His first Adenjoyed some foreign policy success: Hamilton Fish was

one of the best 19th-century Secretaries of State. The economy had enjoyed a boom, with extensive building of railroads. If you had asked any American in 1872 whether he felt better off than he had in 1868, he would have answered with an emphatic "yes". But the first Grant Administration had been corrupt, and the public knew it. That is probably the only other occasion in American history in which a popular President who had run a corrupt Administration was triumphantly reelected. What happened afterwards is much less cheerful. The story is told by Joseph Schumpeter in his great book on Business Cycles.

Once the panic had broken out in the fall of 1873 - up till then general business kept up well — the typical sequence of events followed. Speculation in land and stocks collapsed. prices fell, exports increased, imports lecreased, firms of all kinds failed in large numbers, the stock exchange had to be closed, banks suspended payment, unemployment became serious almost immediately . . . as far as mere figures go, some aspects of the De-pression were quite as dark in 1873 to 1877 as they were in 1929 to 1933.

The psychology of the business cycle is one of over-optimism, with its flight from reality, alternating with excessive pessimism. The period of over-optimism naturally produces a political leadership which shares the

characteristic of the time. Such politicians do not face up to harsh realities (including moral choices), are inclined to think that tomorrow will be better than today, and that unpleasant consequences can always be avoided, or at least postponed. These are the soft periods of human history, and they are followed by sterner periods, when the bills come in.

Whether the next harsh period will start in the first year of Clinton's second term, as it did in the first year of Hoover's presidency and in the first year of Grant's second term, no one can tell. But the political cycle of the US has gone soft — about as soft as it could be. In the past that has often marked the end of an economic cycle. Usually, the year after an incumbent is re-elected sees a sharp downturn in the stockmarket. There will be much justified amoiety on Wall Street next autumn.

moral deficit tends to create a financial deficit. If the Americans elect a President trust, why should anyone else trust him? But the deficit in international confidence extends far outside finance. In defence and foreign affairs, everything depends on trust. Questions such as Japan's non-nuclear policy depend upon Japanese confidence that America would run very great risks to protect Japan. Otherwise the Japanese will have no choice but to defend themselves. If America has a President like King Charles II, "whose word no man relies on", its foreign policy is crippled before it starts. No nation can exert power unless there is a general conviction that its leader means what he says.

Clinton will now have to spend time and energy defending himself. Some Washington insiders think he will be impeached; others think Hillary Clinton will be indicted. There will probably have to be a new special prosecutor to investigate the foreign campaign funds. Kenneth Starr himself still has to report. These investigations are not under any one person's control, least of all the President's. The Republican victories in both Houses of Congress mean that the Democrats cannot block the

investigations. Most of the Americans I know are, as individuals, far better than this election suggests. Before the reaction occurs, much harm may have been done to America's moral confidence and to its ability to provide the coordination of world policy that no one else can give.

We will . emulate Clinton

Peter Mandelson

says the Zeitgeist favours Labour

o one can blame the Tories for seeking silver linings in the dark clouds overhead. But their concerted attempts to suggest that Bill Clinton's success shows they are on course for election victory next year shows that desperation has given way to delusion. President Clinton's victory was a crushing defeat for the Right. Bob Dole may be a decent man, but the electorate a decent man, but the electorate recognised that his Republican Party is in the hands of the far Right. Voters here are all too aware that the

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here are all too aware that the Republicans' British counterparts now call the shots in the Tory party. American voters put their trust in a man who has built a coalition of the Left and Centre — as Tony Blair has. Both leaders show that a party of the Left which embraces the centre record is presented.

ground is unstoppable. Clinton and Blair have each refashioned their parties and driven out the pessimism that had taken root after a succession of defeats. The American result will give renewed confidence to progressive parties all over the world. It is a confidence born of the belief that the tide of ideas is flowing their way. It is the ideologues of the Right
— who claimed to rule the world in
the last decade — who now look

Bill Clinton's re-election is compel-ling evidence that voters have their eyes focused on the future. He was voted back because he is a charismatic leader with forward-looking poli-cies to prepare his country for the next century. That is exactly the ap-peal of Labour under Tony Blair. We have a programme aimed at rebuild-ing Britain for the challenges ahead. and are led by a young and charis-matic politician who, polls show, is

trusted to deliver what he promises. By contrast, Bob Dole's Republicans and John Major's Tories are seen as rooted firmly in the past. One of Clinton's most effective campaigning moments came when he was asked in a TV debate about Dole's age. "I don't think Senator Dole is too old to run for President. It's the age of

his ideas I question," he replied. The new Democrats and new Labour are part of a worldwide move-ment of left-of-centre parties which have reshaped their policies for the modern world. State control of indus-try and a hostility to markets have been replaced by a desire to work, with industry to help it to compete. more effectively, and to empower

tion and training. Clinton's vow to heal his country's fractured society is also the centrepiece of new Labour's vision. But the new Left now concentrates not on knee-jerk increases in benefits but on welfare-to-work programmes which match rights and responsibilities. And repairing the damage inflicted by right-wing rule also requires more openness and decentralisation.

onservative Central Office must also be worried by the failure of the Republicans' negative campaigning. Voters were unimpressed by Dole's diet of fears. smears and personality attacks. The Democrats made sure that they did not go unanswered. We have learnt that lesson too.

What the Tories will claim is that Clinton's victory proves that economic success delivers votes, and that voters prefer to stick with what they know. But Tory hopes rest on the electorate being gripped by amnesia. President Clinton took over as America was pulling out of recession. John Major was in charge as Britain suffered its worst slump since the war. Labour will not allow the Tories

to rewrite history. Bill Clinton gained from the belief of American voters that their recov-ery is sustainable. John Major and his party have not been so credited. because voters are not convinced their policies have shaped a recovery

here that will last. Tory claims about the power of incumbency are laughable. Only two years ago, they were saying that their Republican ailies' coup in seizing control of Congress showed the march of the right was unstoppable. And the Tories know that even in his darkest days Mr Clinton never slumped to the depths of unpopularity plumbed by Mr Major.

They also have to tackle the damage done to the Government's reputation by sleaze. American voters may have shrugged off accusations against the President, but the evidence shows the British public are repulsed by the proven scandals here. The Tories will doubtless draw

comfort from the Democrats' failure to take control of Congress despite Mr Clinton's success. But that can partly be explained by the voters' perception that there were differences between the President and his party. After the party's overwhelming endorsement on Monday of Labour's early manifesto. New Life for Britain. that charge will simply not stick in Britain. Voters know that Mr Blair and his party march in step. The message from the Republicans' failure is that parties seen as extreme divided and backward-looking are being rejected. And with the tide of ideas behind Labour, we can emiliate Clinton and achieve what Labour has never managed before: two successive full terms of office.

P·H·S The author is Labour campaign manager. The author is Labour's election



ROSARIES are clicking despondently across London today as news spreads of the imminent departure of Archbishop Luigi Barbarito, the hugely popular Apostolic Nuncio. Archbishop Barbarito will soon be 75, which means he must offer his resignation to the Holy Father. After ten years in London, he will almost certainly have to return to Rome leaving a

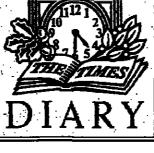
desperate void. Although his English still has a thick Italian twang, Barbarito has gone down like a satiny Barolo with British Catholics. Not so long ago, he led a party to Rome, which included Italian-born Lady Hambleden, the Duke of Norfolk and his brother Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan-Howard. His visits to Oxford and Cambridge inspired waves of tweedy young Anglicans to turn to Rome.

In March, he was made a Knight of the Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order by his friend the Queen, an extraordinary honour for a Catholic Bishop to receive. He is said to have been very supportive of the Duchess of Kent when

his favourite sport, but sadder yet will be the loss of the vegetable garden at his Wimbledon residence, which he tends with Franciscan care. "He is being dragged back to Rome and he doesn't want to go." says one prominent member of the Italian community. "The Queen is sad at his departure. We are all sad."



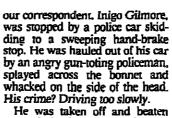
Barbarito: so it's a heartbreaking farewell



 Extreme caution was shown by the Financial Times in covering the outcome of the American presidential election. While every other paper managed a front page Clinton coasts to victory story in the early editions, the FT's only election story was on page 4 and told of Clinton's hamburgers. Only with its 3am edition — which reaches select readers in inner Landon — when the result was absolutely clear, did Clinton make the front page. "We were just patient," said an assistant to Richard Lambert. the paper's measured Editor.

Slow change DRIVING back from a restaurant

in South Africa with some friends.



around the head several more times, before the policemen set off to attend another crime. "You're a lucky man," Gilmore was told by a senior officer when he complained. "In the old South Africa, you would have been moered [brutally beaten]. Changing the police in South



Africa is not just like turning on a light, you know. It's going to be a long hard process."

Hain us WHIPPING, of the political rather

than cat o'nine tails variety, will be the theme of a workshop to be given by Peter Hain, Labour MP for Neath, to the ANC. The Labour whip flies to Cape Town today to educate the Congress on whipping. Westminster-style.

Explaining why he rather than a Conservative whip, was invited, Hain, who has a history of antiapartheid activism explains: "I am sure they have asked me because they would prefer a comradely exchange. A government whip would only hector them on the brilliance of the system."

At the Flicks'

WEIGHED down by a divorce settlement of £32 million, Donatella Flick has been spending in London. She has bought the home of the actor Anthony Andrews, for £5 million. The house in Hyde Park Gate belonged to Winston Churchill; from its windows, he watched the crowds celebrating his 90th



birthday, shortly before his death. Donatelia is widely thought to have persuaded her former husband. Dr Gert-Rudolf Flick - or Muck Flick to friends — to fund a chair in European Thought at Oxford before the divorce. But dons objected to the endowment after discovering that his grandfather was a convicted war criminal.

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currency. Rather than rubbishing

such genuine concerns. Treasury

mandarins should perhaps ponder

whether, under the inexorable logic of

this "ever closer union", their own

jobs will be needed for much longer.

ask whether a puppet British Govern-

ment would be permitted to protect us

Sir. The Social Security Select Com-

mittee has announced that there is a

danger that if the UK signs up to a sin-

gle European currency, the accumulated assets of our occupational pen-

sion funds may be used to reduce the

unfunded debt of the Germans and

other member states of the European

Does not the same danger exist if

the UK signs up to the social chapter?

Surely one of the reasons why Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher opted

out of the Community Charter of the

Fundamental Social Rights of Work-

ers in 1989 was the possibility that

every worker in the European Con-

munity (as it then was) might lay

claim to social security benefits pro-

vided by commercial operations as de-

fined in the European system of inte-

(Assistant Secretary, DHSS, 1972-80),

Albion Cottage, 3 Grays Lane, Ashlead, Surrey.

grated economic accounts?

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in the way he promises.

Yours faithfully, ROGER COOK.

Lilac Cottage, St Austell Row,

November 2.

Union.

St Mawes, Cornwall.

From Mr Alec L. Parrott

Similarly, Mr Waldegrave could



SPLIT DECISION

Why Americans decided to divide political power:

The voters of the United States offered something to almost everyone on Tuesday. - They granted Bill Clinton another term in office, though by a more modest margin than had at one stage looked likely. To Robert Dole they handed an honourable and dignified defeat rather than a brutal destruction. Even Ross Perot performed above expectations.

Americans balanced their choice of President by denying command of Congress to the Democratic Party. The Republicans increased their hold over the Senate and suffered only modest losses in the House of Representatives. Considering the unpopularity of Congress and Speaker Newt Gingrich only a few months ago, the Republican revival there is as remarkable as President Clinton's own political recovery.

In part this outcome reflects broad satisfaction with the status quo. Incumbent figures of all parties for all positions fared strikingly well. But it was also the result of deliberate choice. By 1999, the United States will have had divided control in Washington for 16 out of 18 years. That is too strong a pattern to be coincidence. Popular hostility to big government and distrust of professional politicians is deeply felt by the voters. Once again they exercised their right to divide and rule.

A Republican Congress does not necessarily mean a period of unproductive stalemate or "gridlock". The leaders of the House of Representatives have watched the waves of , realism extinguish most of their revolutionary rhetoric. Mr Gingrich will now be quieter and more consensual. He cannot dominate his colleagues as he did in 1995. The Senate and its majority leader, Trent Lott, who is an effective but rather obscure figure even to most Americans, will become increasingly influential.

If the "New Democrat" themes that Mr Clinton articulated during the campaign are indeed his agenda, then the White House should find it perfectly possible to bargain

with its opponents. The end result, a conservative direction in policy but at a calmer pace and with a softer tone, would accurately reflect the electorate's preferences. Republican control of the Senate will oblige the President to choose Cabinet officers who enjoy bipartisan respect. If that produces a Secretary of State such as Senator Richard Lugar or Senator Sam Nunn, then so much the better for both America and its allies. If there is to be hostility between the two branches, it is likely to concern the investigations into Mr Clinton's assorted scandals that Republicans will inevitably initiate.

The President and the leadership of Congress have reason to be satisfied. Apart from Mr Dole, the Democratic Party is, ironically, the other loser in this election. Mr Clinton has no choice but to govern in concert with the Republicans. Whatever success he has will benefit both sides but diminish the Democrats' chances of recapturing Capitol Hill in 1998 or 2000. The forthcoming rivalry for the next presidential nomination between Vice-President Albert Gore and House minority leader, Richard Gephardt, will add further tension to that relationship. Yet, if scandal really does consume the second Clinton Administration, it is bound to damage the party in its wake. The emerging dilemma for the Democrats may come to be seen as the most significant product of the 1996 poll.

An enormously long and vastly expensive electoral season has ended with the minimum of change. That stands in contrast to the dramatic turnover generated by the contests of 1992 and 1994. Assisted by increased economic confidence, the American people have anointed present arrangements and endorsed continued but more measured conservatism. Their split decision suggests opportunities for both White House and Congress. The era of big government is truly over. The quest to determine what replaces it has only just begun.

BUDGET? FUDGE IT

The single currency promotes cheating

The leaders of the EU are limbering up for a ing growth rates is lamentable. In the years summit next month which promises to divide sharply over single currency preparations. The feet of the French political class are growing steadily colder as they approach zone with the German economy. Relations between Italy and Spain turned frosty over whether one of them will qualify to join the euro zone before the other. In Britain, a government has all but been destroyed by internal division over Europe. All in all, one . money seems to provoke multiple rivalries.

But before the century's end, say the federalists, all this will be transformed. Europe's economies will converge and satisfy the five criteria for entry to monetary union. The power of the euro will be magnetic: those who miss joining first time round will be desperate to catch up. To prove this absurdly optimistic version of events, the European Commission yesterday published an apparently exact set of figures suggesting that 12 of the EU's 15 states would pass the most demanding test of all, a ratio of debt to GDP at or below 3 per cent, on schedule by the end of next year.

One could be forgiven for forgetting that six respected economic institutes have predicted recently that not even Germany will meet this requirement. Yesterday's predictions depend on a relatively strong growth rate across Europe and on governments, anxious not to admit that they are lagging, succeeding in carrying out every single deficit-cutting promise on time. The European Commission's record at predict-

since the signing of the Maastricht treaty, governments have improved fiscal balance and discipline beyond all recognition, but few of those efforts have gone to plan.

figures look good has led to an outbreak of creative accounting which threatens to become an epidemic. France has shrunk its deficit by counting a huge one-off windfall from a change in the France Telecom pension fund; the Government stands ready also to raid the public savings bank and the surplus in the national unemployment fund. Italy has invented a one-off euro-tax. whose exact operation remains vague. Spain has simply dreamt up wildly improbable growth and inflation numbers. Belgium has been selling gold.

The only sane commentary on all of this was issued yesterday by the European Monetary Institute. Inhibited by politics from venturing onto the sensitive ground of individual deficit-shrinking tricks or precise forecasts for 1997, the institute confined itself to underlining that the only budget consolidation worth having needs to be sustainable. Its report added for good measure that even a "stability pact", designed to keep down deficits with threats of fines, would be no substitute for long-term spending control.

The European Commission's forecasts can only lower its reputation for twisting the facts to fit a pre-ordained political objective. Yesterday's figures are not credible. Those who base decisions on such numbers deserve to lose their shirts.

HAIR APPARENT

A parting of the ways between baldies and the rest

All good politicians are judged by what they have on top: not brains, of course, but thatch. And in Tony Blair's case, his hair has apparently won him nul points from female juries. While some women happily have their hair backcombed to make it "big", Mr Blair is being criticised for displaying too much natural bouffe. Now he is thought to. be planning what Martin Amis calls a "rug rethink": tough on springiness, tough on the

causes of springmess. Did the Financial Times, which published this story on its front page yesterday, make a follicle of itself? No, this must be an urgent matter of state, since the hair piece displaced from the front page any mention of the most important election in the world. Not since Bill Clinton held up air traffic by summoning a stylist to Air Force One has the issue of

hair in politics been so momentous. Women think less of Mr Blair than do men. But is it not parronising to deduce that they care more about politicians' bad hair? Surely the intricacies of monetary union, endogenous growth theory and the NHS internal market determine the pattern of women's votes? It seems not, according to Labour focus groups. To woo them back, Mr

Blair must tidy up his split ends. French politicians have no such problems. Baldness is de rigueur across the Channel. From de Gaulle, Pompidou and Mitterrand to Jacques Chirac, Laurent Fabius and the current Prime Minister, Alain Juppe, the shining page is the defining characteristic. M Fabius was even voted the sexiest man in

In Anglo-Saxon countries, however, a good crop is a prerequisite for office. No American President could be bald. No British Prime Minister since the ill-fated Alec Douglas-Home has lacked hair. In this televisual age, perhaps neither Neil Kinnock nor John Smith could have made it to Number 10. William Hague and Michael Forsyth have trouble too. Mr Major. by contrast, has an unnaturally thick thatch of almost toupée-like perfection. Unlike Mr Blair's, it never seems to turn a hair, even in winds like yesterday's.

Tory politicians are sensitive to matters hirsute. Michael Heseltine has long known the effect that his blonde mane has on his admirers at party conference. Michael Portilio transformed himself from gawky schoolboy to dashing buccaneer when he swapped a fringe for a quiff. Margaret Thatcher (who changed her own colour and style nearly as often as Hillary Clinton) refused to countenance ministers with facial hair. When John Gummer shaved off his

beard, he was promptly offered a job. Political women have always been prone to sharp remarks about their hair. Shirley Williams was besieged by critical letters. Barbara Castle used to don a wig called "Lucy"-when she could not get to the hairdresser. Once, Lucy was snatched from her head by a piece of wire: "it was one of those nightmares one dreams about and I froze inside with embarrassment," she wrote in her diary. Now Mr Blair (whose aides are paged when his bouffe goes awry) must know how she feels.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Oxford school site

From Dr Mark Lenev

Sir. I am concerned at the way the press have reported the debate fleading article, November 5; reports, November 6) over the proposed management school at Oxford. As usual the implication is that the members of Congregation are reactionary old duffers with nothing better to do than voting down constructive proposals and writing querulous letters to The

As the pro-management school faction were at pains to point out in their lobbying letter to members of the Congregation last week, yesterday's vote was formally about the site not about the potential benefactor, the foundation that bears his name or the question of whether Oxford should support this subject. However, the way that the matter was presented to Congregation meant that all these issues have become inextricably entwined. Nevertheless we were asked to vote on a proposition that would overturn a formal undertaking made by Congregation that the site would be retained as an open space.

As one of the most junior members of Congregation, I do not idly support tradition for its own sake, but in this case I felt bound to uphold an undertaking that the University had made "in perpetuity". If Congregation overturns this undertaking in the forth-coming postal ballot it will clearly signal that it can no longer be trusted to uphold the values of truth and honour which it is purported to guarantee within the University.

MARK LENEY. New College, Oxford. November 6.

From Dr M. J. Collins

Sir, Your leading article was a slur against those who voted in Congregation on the merits of the special resolution proposed by Hebdomadal Council. You suggested that any such vote would be a vote against the development of management studies in Oxford. Some of us would have taken the opportunity to reiterate our support for a school of management studies if that had been the question asked, but it was not. One core issue was whether the site should ever have been on of-

By its wording, the special resolution acknowledged that an unambiguous understanding was being breached. That this understanding was not spelt out as a covenant in the contract between the University and Merton College showed that both parties were acting as gentlemen; Congregation has now upheld its belief in the dictum "A gentleman's word is his

In these present days of examination of the morality of the nation, I would suggest to you that this is a principle which you should commend to your readers.

Yours faithfully. M. J. COLLINS.

University College, Oxford.

From Mr Jeremy Pound Sir, The assertion in today's leader

that "Oxford's purpose is to teach, not to preserve grass" is not a valid argument for building a centre for business studies on centrally located playing fields. The pursuit of a main purpose does not warrant the neglect of all other responsibilities.

After all, the purpose of the Ministry of Transport is to create better communications, but no one would suggest that this gives them licence to cover the whole country in Tarmac. Moreover, teaching is only the purpose of Oxford University, whereas the city of Oxford has to perform many other functions, including serving as a tourist centre.

Tourism, which is the city's second most important industry, relies on Oxford retaining its aesthetic appeal if it is to continue to prosper, and this means that green areas in the centre must be preserved.

Yours faithfully, JEREMY POUND, Walled Gardens, Radley College, Abingdon, Oxfordshire. November 5.

From Dr Peter Goodford

Sir, The businessmen who want this business school can see that the Oxford playing fields are a bargain, which they very naturally want to grab, Alternative central Oxford sites do exist, however. The University, its business school, the city and its people would all benefit much more if our most generous benefactor, Mr Walic Said, decided to build his new school on a redevelopment site.

Yours sincerely, PETER GOODFORD, The Old Vicarage, Ascott under Wychwood, Oxfordshire.

Fine defaulters

From His Honour Judge Roger Sanders

what happened to her.

Sir, Miss Juliet Hartridge (letter, November 5) suggests that single mothers who cannot afford a television licence should dispense with their television. She displays as much sensitivity as Marie-Antoinette, and we all know

Yours faithfully. ROGER SANDERS. Harrow Crown Court. Hailsham Drive, Harrow, Middlesex.

Choosing the right Meeting the promises of European pensions after EMU There will be no requirement for us

to pay for European pension debts.

There is no reason why we should

have to increase taxes if other coun-

tries have to raise their taxes to meet

their obligations, as there are no plans

for harmonisation of tax rates. What-

ever the arguments for or against our

joining EMU, the pensions scare is a

Sir. In their effort to undermine the

very legitimate concerns of the Select Committee on Social Security, both

the Treasury and the European Com-

mission invoke the Maastricht treaty

to assure us that these concerns on

pension costs are groundless. Mr

Waldegrave has also said, in a recent

radio interview, that no British Gov-

erament would allow the EU to make

British taxpayers pay for foreign pen-

These two ploys have been used many times in the past. However,

may I suggest that we should be wor-

ried, not about what the last EU treaty

says, but about what might be con-

tained in the next, or the one after that.

of an "ever closer union" - a concept

with no defined end-point. Unless that phrase is removed from the EU treat-

ies it would seem only prudent to as-

sume that European integration will

continue, inexorably, towards Spinel-

li's dream of a United States of Eur-

done the people of Britain a consider-

able service in alerting us to just one of the long-term inevitabilities of a single

Frank Field and his committee have

The Treaty of Rome created the goal

red herring.

Yours faithfully,

House of Lords.

November 4.

DICK TAVERNE,

From Mr R. R. Cook

From Lord Taverne, QC-

Sir. Your editorial on pensions and monetary union, "Europe's rash promises" (November 4), contains a strange contradiction. You oppose the proposed "stability pact" because it interferes with domestic policy. Yet you also warn that the EU may force us to raise our taxes if other countries have to raise theirs in order to meet their extravagant promises to future pension-

In fact, such a contingency is ex-pressly ruled out by the Maastricht treaty; and the whole purpose of a stability pact would be to reinforce fiscal disciplines in order to stop EMU members engaging in inflationary borrowing and incurring excessive

You also ignore, as did the Select Committee on Social Security (report, November II, the substantial reforms already undertaken in key EU states to limit the cost of their pension schemes. In Italy the radical Amato and Dini reforms are likely in time to lead to a massive switch to privately funded pensions. In Germany, after recent reforms, pensions will actually be lower next year because benefits have been linked to net wages, which have declined in real terms as a result of tax increases.

In France, in addition to a reduction in state pensions as a result of a change in the basis on which they are calculated, a Bill has been introduced providing new incentives for private pensions and equity investment. There is, I believe, a need for much more to be done, particularly in France and Germany, and the sooner action is taken the less painful it will be; but there is fortunately a decade or so before the European pension crisis becomes immediate.

From Mr Peter Edwards Sir, The criticism of Glenn Hoddle implicit in the comment of the chief executive of Refuge, Sandra Horley, that "allowing Gascoigne to play for England can only give the impression that it is all right to beat your wife" (report, November 2) is, in my view, trite and illogical.

Gascoigne's selection

Anyone who has followed the latest episode in the saga of this country's arguably most talented and most troubled professional footballer will ie ato tiot si balling merits when considering his decision on Gascoigne's selection. Having, apparently, made every effort to avail himself of the facts of the alleged "wife beating" incident the England football coach has discerned a serious problem and shown an admirable willingness to go beyond his brief to help to solve it, for the benefit of Mr and Mrs Gascoigne, by involving himself in the player's personal counselling. Moreover, Hoddle has unequivocally indicated that he believes wife beating, by an England

footballer or not, to be completely unacceptable (report, November 5).

On the question of role models it seems that the England coach's current critics would do well to follow his positive and pragmatic examples of professionalism and humanity.

Yours faithfully, P. A. H. EDWARDS. Heathcote, Loxwood Road, Alfold, Cranleigh, Surrey. November 5.

From Mr D. H. Bryant

Sir, The selection of Gascoigne to the national squad is no longer a matter of footballing ability - rather an issue as to whether this country wishes to be represented on the world stage by

Mr Hoddle's talents could best be satisfied by resigning his role as England's coach and turning to social work.

Yours etc. D. H. BRYANT. 63 Chilbolton Avenue. Winchester, Hampshire. November 2.

From Commander

Poppy Season).

Labour beds.

Yours faithfully

November 6.

GILES BINNEY.

T. V. G. Binney, RN (retd)

Sir. Horriculturists at Westminster

have noted in recent years the steady advance of the PPS (Parliamentary

The occasional early bloom has

been replaced by striking displays as

early as the fourth week in October —

a phenomenon particularly noticeable

in the previously sparse and patchy

usual helping of farmyard manure

has encouraged this early flowering, it

is probably the warm glow and "feel-good" factor engendered by TV light-

ing that is primarily responsible for

this and other signs of frenetic activity

in beds both to the left and right.

Rogate, Petersfield, Hampshire.

Experts consider that, although the

Wearing the poppy

From Mr Robert Richardson

Sir, Having been born in 1940, my memories of the Second World War are slight; however. I do recall that for long into the postwar years, virtually everybody wore a poppy as Armistice Sunday approached.

Today, it seems to me, there has been a notable change. That the young do not wear poppies for what is, to them, lost history, may be understandable, but I have noticed that neither do a great many people older than myself, whose memories must be more vivid, and frequently painful. Is it not ironic that the freedoms that were won for us include the free-

dom to forget? Yours faithfully. ROBERT RICHARDSON, Old Hatfield, Hertfordshire.

November 5.

Two-minute silence

From Brigadier Stuart Ryder

Sir. According to John Young's report, "Time to remember the sacrifice of war" (October 29), we are told that many local authorities will fire maroons to mark the beginning and end of the two-minute silence. I hope that some of these councils

may also, like Runcorn and Worthing, take the welcome step of inscribing on

their war memorials the names of local residents killed in action since the end of the Second World War.

Such an enlightened approach would record permanently the names of those who have given their lives for Queen and Country since 1945. They too should be remembered.

Yours faithfully STUART RYDER. 8 Shenley Hill. Radlett. Hertfordshire.

Bishop's insults

From Canon Raymond Lee

Sir, Another true story of the wit of Bishop Montgomery Campbell (letters, October 28, November 2) is from his time as Bishop of Guildford. He lived at Farnham Castle, where young men stayed prior to their ordination. Contrary to instructions, one es-

caped into town from the retreat and.

on returning, met the bishop in the drive. "I am very sorry, my Lord, but the Holy Spirit led me to do a little shop-

"How odd you should both be mistaken," said the bishop, "It's earlyclosing day!" Yours sincerely, RAYMOND J. LEE.

15 Barkfield Lane,

Formby, Liverpool.

November 3.

From Canon W. W. Tymms

Sir, Here is a variant (and I suspect a more accurate version) of the Henson/Lang story (letter, November 2). Archbishop Lang is reported to

have told the assembled bishops that he did not like the portrait because it made him look "proud, pompous and prelatical". Whereupon Bishop Henson said: And to which of these epithets does Your Grace object?"

Yours sincerely, WILFRID W. TYMMS, Piggy Lane. Gainford, Darlington, Co Durham. November 2.

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New prisons

Yours faithfully,

November 4.

ALEC L. PARROTT

From Mr T. M. Dodd

Sir, A "new" sentencing policy is being touted by the Home Secretary (report. October 26; see also letter, November 5). It has always been my experience that criminals assess the dangers involved in their activities by weighing up the chances of being caught by the police not, as he naively assumes, by how long they will be inside if they are

caught. Until he does something about the abysmal clear-up rate, the criminals will continue to laugh at his efforts.

Yours faithfully, T. M. DODD (Prison officer, 1968-96). 78 Valley Road, Northallerton, North Yorkshire.

Classroom contracts From Mr P. J. Tooke

November 5.

Sir. New Labour advocates compulsory contracts between parents and their children's schools (report, October 28).

A contract is an agreement freely entered into by both parties. If there is compulsion, any document which might be signed is not a contract and we should not be surprised if parents and others do not carry out the spirit of its terms.

Good schools need committed teachers, parents and pupils: no amount of legislation will produce

Yours faithfully. PHILIP TOOKE. 3 Lulworth Garth. Leeds, West Yorkshire.

Guy Fawkes week

From Mr Tim Williams

Sir, Remember, remember the 5th of November: no more, it would seem. Now it is the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th ... and it will probably continue until next weekend.

The cat is under the bed, shellshocked: the rabbit trying to burrow through the floor of its hutch: and I am seeing stars (shooting, multi-col-oured). How I agree with Libby Purves ("Gunpowder and Currie". November 5): let's get away from "organised" displays and bring back the small, all-on-the-same-day, garden firework parties before it's too late.

More and more celebrations these days seem to be migrating to the nearest, "more convenient" weekend. How long, pray, before the Archbishop of Canterbury decrees that henceforth Christmas will be held on a Saturday?

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Yours explosively, TIM WILLIAMS, 72 Keith Lucas Road. Cove, Farnborough, Hampshire.

Manx memories

From Mr David Read

Sir. Your reports of the election campaign on the Isle of Man (November 4) reminded me that the islanders refer to immigrants as "come-overs" (those who came to stay) and ex-colonials as "when-I's" (they begin each sentence with "When I was in ...").

When I was a come-over, teaching at King William's College, I recall a colleague who regularly began with the phrase "At my old school". The punils called him Amos.

Yours sincerely. DAVID READ (Director of Music). Strathallan School, Forgandenny, Perth.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 6: The Rt Hon John Major MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of The Queen this

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November o: The Prince Edward. Chairman. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, this evening held a meeting at Buckingham Palace.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 6: The Princess Royal. President of the Patrons, Crime Concern, this morning chaired the regional launch of RoadRunners at the Heartlands High School. Great Francis Street, Birmingham, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of West

Midlands (Mr Robert Taylor). Her Royal Highness, President. Riding for the Disabled Association, this afternoon attended the National Conference (Riding) Driving Demonstrations) at the British Equestrian Centre, National Agricultural Centre, Kenilworth, and was received by Her Maiesty's Lond-Lieutenant of Warwickshire (Captain the Vis-

count Daventry).
The Princess Royal, President. Riding for the Disabled Associ-ation, this evening attended the National Conference Reception and Dinner at the National Agricultural Centre

CLARENCE HOUSE November b: Major-General M.D. Regan today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief. The Light Infantry, upon relinquishing his appointment as Colonel of the Regime

Major-General J.F. Deverell also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming his appointment as Colonel of The Light Infantry.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother visited Queen Mary's Clothing Guild at St James's Palace this afternoon. Mrs Michael Gordon-Lennox was in attendance.

Today's royal engagements The Queen will receive a party of

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children at Buckingham Palace at 230 before the children plant bulbs in Green Park to mark the golden wedding of The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh. Queen Elizabeth The Queen

Mother will visit the Royal British Legion Field of Remembrance in St Margaret's Churchyard, Westminster Abbey, at 11.20. The Princess Royal, as President of

Riding for the Disabled Associwill anend the national conference and annual meeting at Kenilworth, at 9.50.

Princess Margaret, as Honorary President of the British Museum Development Trust, will attend the Mysteries of Ancient China gala at the museum at 7.45 in aid of the museum's new centre for

The Duke of Kent will visit the Royal Marines, Poole, at 10.15; and will attend a performance of La Traviata at the ENO. St Martin's ane, at 7.20 in aid of the British

Appointment Mr John Durham to be Ambas sador to Mongolia from January 1447 in succession to Mr Ian Sloone who will be retiring from the diplomatic service.

ST JAMES'S PALACE wember of The Prince of Wales

this afternoon flew to Turkmenistan and was received in Ashkgabat by Her Majesty's Ambassador (Mr Neil Hook). His Royal Highness afterwards opened the offices of the new British Embassy and anended a Reception for members of the

officials. This evening The Prince of Wales attended a Dinner given by President Saparmurad Nivazov. KENSINGTON PALACE

British community and Turkmen

November 6: The Princess Mar-garet. Countess of Snowdon, President, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. this evening attended the Chelsea Branch "Brain Game" and Dinner held at Middle Temple. London

KENSINGTON PALACE November 6: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, this morning opened the new Cape Town St John Headquarters.

At the conclusion of Their Royal Highnesses visit to the Republic of South Africa, The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited the Castle and the William Fehr Museum and subsequently at-tended a luncheon given by the Institute of South African Architeets and Gorden Verhoef and Krause Architects, Cape Town. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE November b: Princess Alexandra today visited Cheshire and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cheshire (Mr Wil-

liam Bromley Davenport). Her Royal Highness, Vice-President. opened the new County Headquarters of the British Red Cross Society. Memorial House. Knutsford, and subsequently vis-ited ilford Limited in Mobberley. Princess Alexandra, President finally visited the Imperial Cancer Research Fund Shop in London Road, Alderley Edge.

Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin, GCB, will be held in the Church of St Martin-in-the-Fields at 3pm on Wednesday, January 15, 1997. Dress for the occasion will be Day Dress (Non Ceremonial) or a dark lounge suit. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for fickets not later than November 29, 1996, enclosing a stamped self addressed envelope to: Ministry of Defence, Naval Personnel Secretariat 2b. Room 222. Victory Building, HM Naval Base, Portsmouth, POI 3LS, Tickets will be dispatched on December 20, 1996.

Sir Jeremy Rowe

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Jeremy Rowe. CBE, will be held at St Maryle-bone Church, Marylehone Road, NWI on Tuesday. November 19. at

0707: fax 0171-222 5774.

Leslie Crowther A service of celebration for the life and work of Leslie Crowther, CBE. will be held at St John's Wood Church, Lord's Roundabout, London NW8, on Wednesday, November 27, at 11.30am. Please apply for nickets to The Lund's Taverners, 22 Queen Anne's Gate, London SWIH 9AA: tel 0171-222

Dinners

University news

Anglo-Israel Association Mr Jacob Frenkel, Governor of the Bank of Israel, and Mr Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, were the guests of honour and speakers at the annual dinner of the Anglo-Israel Associ-ation held last night at the Savoy Hotel. Mr Peter Shore, MP, president of the association, Mr John Marshall, MP, chairman of the executive committee, the Hon David Sieff. chairman of the council, and Mr Jeffrey Greenwood, chairman of the dinner committee, also spoke. The Ambassador of Israel and Mrs Raviv and members of both Houses of Parliament were among

Anglo-Portuguese Society The Duke of Bragança was the guest of honour and speaker at the annual dinner of the Anglo-Portuguese Society held last night at the Langham Hilton Hotel. The Portuguese Ambassador presided and accompanied by Mrs Chsta-Lobo and Mr John Shakespeare, chairman of the executive committee, and Mrs Shakespeare, received the guests. The Ambassadors of Mozambique and Angola and HM Ambassador to Portugal were among the guests.

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Wolf Mankowitz, the

author, is 72

Mr Ian Balding, racehorse trainer,

58: Mr John Barnes, footballer, 33

Air Marshal Sir John Donald. 69:

Dame Jean Dowling, former chief clerk, Office of the Private Sec-

retary to the Queen, 80: Sir John Egan, chief executive, BAA, 57; the

Rev Professor Christopher Evans, theologian. 87: Dr Charles

Goodson-Wickes, MP. 51; Dr Billy Graham, evangelist, 78; Mrs Lu-

cinda Green, three-day eventer, 43; Lord Greenhill of Harrow, 83; Mr

ner, Freshfields, 61: Admiral Sit

Nicholas Hunt. 66; Mr Michael

Jackaman, former chairman, Al-

lied Domecq, ol; Dame Gwyneth

Jones, soprano, 60: Mr Charles Miller Smith, chief executive, ICI,

57: Mr Jonathan Palmer, racing

driver. 40; Miss Su Pollard, actress, 47; Dr Ralegh Radford,

FBA, archaeologist, 96: Air Mar-shal Sir Ronald Stuart-Paul, 62;

Dame Joan Sutherland, OM, so-

prano, 70: Mrs Helen Suzman,

Viscount Tenby, 69; Sir Anthony Wheeler, former president, Royal

Scottish Academy, 77; Baroness White, 87; Mr Peter Wilby, former

Editor. The Independent on Sun-

Lord Mayor of Westminster

The Lord Mayor and Lady May-

oress of Westminster were the hosts at a luncheon held yesterday

at Westminster City Hall to mark

the retirement of Sir Jeremy Isaacs

as Director-General of the Royal

Opera House, Among those

opera mose. Among unserpresent were:
Mr Jeremy Dixon, Mr Edward Jones,
Councillor Robert J Moreland, Mr
Trevor Osborne, Mr Keith Cooper,
Councillor Angela Hooper, Mr Tony
Hurt, Councillor Carolyn, Keen,
Councillor Alexander Vicoli, and
Councillor Alexander Vicoli, and

day, 52.

Luncheon

Birthdays today

British Legion The Hon Nicholas Soames, Minister of State for the Armed Forces. was the principal guest at a fiftieth annual dinner of the Safeway branch of the Royal British Legion held last night at Knightsbridge Barracks. Mr Richard Browne, branch chairman, accompanied by Sir Alistair Grant, branch president, and Mr Richard Scott, was

University of Bristol

Oxford

John's College.

Appointments to Chairs

September 1, 1996.

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Manchester

The Royal

Sir Michael Angus, leader of the "Campaign for Resource" at the University of Bristol. in the presence of Dr Stella Clarke, Chairman of Council, Sir Jeremy Morse, Chancellor and Sir John Kingman. Vice-Chancellor, presided last night at a dinner for Patrons and friends of the University held at the Institution of Civil Engineers. London, to mark the fifth anniversary of the launch of the "Cam-paign for Resource". Guests included the Earl of Limerick, Lord Butterfield. Sir Roger Bannister and Mrs Joyce Cooper. Since the "Campaign for Re-source" was launched an investment approaching £40 million has

The 1996 Peter Beaconsfield Prize

has been awarded jointly to Mr

lan Gordon of Linacre College, and Mr Travis Tierney, of St

David M. Bain, at present Reader

in Greek at the university, ap-pointed Professor of Greek in the

Department of History from

Michael Haslam, at present Professor of Classics in the Univer-

sity of California, to be Professor of Greek in the Department of Hist-

John Knowles Stanley, at present Consultant Hand and Ortho-

paedic Surgeon in the Upper Limb Unit of Wrightington Hospital, appointed Professor (part-time) of Hand Surgery in the Department

of Orthopaedic Surgery from Octo-

David T. Thomoson, at present

Senior Lecturer in Medicine at the

university, appointed Professor of Gastroenterology in the Depart-ment of Medicine from August 1, 1996.

Martin D. Downer, Professor and

Head of the Department of Dental

Health Policy and Honorary Consultant in Dental Public

Health, Eastman Dental Institute

and Hospital, London, appointed

Honorary Professor in the Turner Dental School for three years from

Jennifer Popay. Professor of Com-

munity Health and Director of the

Public Health Research and Re-

source Centre, Salford University,

the National Primary Care Re-

search and Development Centre

for three years from August 1. 1996.

Hugh Gravelle, Professor of Economics at the Centre for

Health Economics, York Univer-

sity, appointed Honorary Profes-

sor in the National Primary Care

Research and Development Centre

for three years from August 1, 1996.

Alan Maynard, Secretary to the

Nuffield Provincial Hospitals

Trust and a former Professor of

Economics and Director of the Centre for Health Economics,

York University, appointed Honorary Professor in the Nat-ional Primary Care Research and

Development Centre for three

Robert S. Tinston, Regional Direc-tor of the NHS Executive North

West appointed Honorary Visit-

years from August 1. 1990.

Honorary professorial

August I. 1996.

High Court Journalists

Ms Maria Fleischmann, Chairman of the High Court Journalists' Association, presided at the annual dinner held last night at the Law Society. Lord Hoffmann and Lord Justice Ward were the speakers. Lord Justice Simon Brown, Mr Justice Morison, Mrs Justice Hale, Mr Justice Robert Walker, Mr Justice Laddie, Mr Justice Neuberger and Mr David Penry-Davey, QC, Chairman of the Bar.

were among those present. Company of Water Conservators Mr Edward Flaxman, Master of the Company of Water Conser-vators, the Wardens and Court of Assistants held their annual dinner last night at tronmongers' Hall. The Master presided and Ms Patricia Henton, President of the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management, also spoke. The Prime Warden of the Fishmongers' Company, the Master of the Plumbers' Company and their ladies and senior representatives of water utility companies were among the guests.

Hazards Forum Professor P.A. Bennett, Chairman of the Hazards Forum, presided at

ing Professor in the Health Ser-

vices Management Unit for three years from August 1, 1996.

Robert D.H. Boyd, Principal of St

George's Hospital Medical School, appointed Honorary Visiting Professor in the Department of

Child Health for three years from

Gordon Waddell, Honorary

Professor in the Department of

Orthopaedic Surgery in the University of Glasgow, appointed

Honorary Visiting Professor in the Department of Medicine (Rheu-

Maggie Pearson, Regional Direc-tor of Research and Development,

NHS Executive North West, ap-pointed Honorary Visiting Profes-

sor in the Faculty of Medicine. Dentistry and Nursing for three

Stuart P. Speakman, consultant

for Thin Film Technology (Con-sultancy) Ltd and Visiting Profes-

sor in the Engineering Labora-tories at Cambridge University,

appointed Honorary Visiting Professor of Materials for three

Helen Muir. Honorary Professor

in Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School, London, ap-pointed Honorary Visiting Profes-

sor in Biochemistry in the School

of Biological Sciences for three

Paul Workman, Head of the

Bioscience Section and Project Manager of the Cancer, Metabo-

Department for Zeneca Pharma-

ceuticals and Visiting Professor of

Cancer Pharmacology at Leeds University, to be Visiting Professor

of Pharmacology in the School of

David Ashton, Chief Executive of

the Cable and Wireless College,

Coventry. appointed a Visiting Professor of Managerial Learning in the Manchester Business School

for three years from July 1, 1996.

John Murphy, Managing Director

of CRD International and a former

Chief Executive of the Irish Quality

Association, appointed Visiting Professor of Service Quality in the

Manchester Business School from July 1, 1996 to December 31, 1997.

Anne Rogers, Reader in Sociology, Public Health Research and Re-

source Centre, Salford University,

appointed Honorary Reader in the

National Primary Care Research

and Development Centre for three

years from August 1, 1996.

Honorary Readership

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Visiting Professorships

Biological Sciences.

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a digner discussion held last night at the Athenaeum. Mr G.R. Profit and Mr MJ. Overall were the speakers. Among others present

were:
Lord Donaldson of Lymington,
Admiral Sir Lindsay Bryson, Sir
Bernard Crossland, FRS, Sir
Frederick Warner, FRS, Sir Ronald
Halstead, Mr David Green, FRS,
Professor John Green, Professor R
W E Shannon, Professor Peter Wolf,
Mr Keith Bradley, MP, Air YiceMarshal T I Jenner, Dr D J
McLauchlan, Mr M Argent, Mr M M
E Jefferies and Dy Duncan Michael.

Foundation for Science

and Technology Lord Butterworth, Chairman of the Council of the Foundation for Science and Technology, presided at a lecture and dinner discussion at a lecture and diffrict obscission given by the foundation. CBI Scotland and the Royal Society of Edinburgh last night at 22-24. George Street, Edinburgh, Mr. Gerald R. Wilson, Professor Sir Graeme Davies and Mr. Charles. Skene were the speakers.

Carlton Club Golfing Society Sir Michael Latham, Denuty Chairman of the Carlton Clu Golfing Society, was the principal guest at the annual dinner held last night at the club. Mr John Price, president, was in the

Memorial services

Captain Robert Petre A memorial service for Captain Robert (Bobby) Petre, winner of the 1946 Grand National on Lovely Contage, was held yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Bar-racks. Father Martin Caddell, Senior Roman Catholic Chaplain, London District, officiated and

read the lesson.

The Earl of Lonsdale read Journey of A Soul by Pope John XXIII, Mr Simon Morant read The Love of Nature by Joseph Warton and Sir Nigel Strutt read Non Bois Tatum Nati. Sir Stephen Hastings gave an address. Among others

gave an address. Among others present were:
Mrs Petre (widow). Mr and Mrs Charles Petre and Mr and Mrs Robert Petre Isons and daughters-in-law), Mr and Mrs Ambrose Scotterief (son-in-law and daughter). Mrs Ambrose Scotterief (son-in-law and daughter). Mrs Expanging and stepdaughter-in-law), Miss Fenelia Petre. Miss Georgina Petre and Mr Edward Petre (grandchildren) with other members of the family: Major R.E. White trepresenting the Regimental Lieutenami-Coinnel. Scots Guards (Jud), Major-General Sir Digby Raeburn (representing Officers of the Third Guards Ciub), representatives of the Country Landowners' Association and other organisations and many other Irlends.

Mr Denis Cheatle A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Denis Cheatle, Group Legal Adviser, Associated Newspapers, was held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street. Canon John Oates officiated, Ms Clare Shields Group Legal Adviser Associated Newspapers, read the lesson and Georgina Atkinson, grand-daughter, gave a reading. Mr Andrew Cheatle, son, and Mr John Winnington-Ingram gave ad-

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy and Royal Marines CAPTAIN: G K Billson - Dryad in rank of Cdre, 19.11.96; CAJ Silcock - MOD London, 10.1.97; H J Critchley - NMA Gosport in rank of Cdre, 4.4.97: D P Lashbrooke -MOD Bath in rank of Cdre, 4.1.97.

COMMANDER: G R N Foster PIHQ Northwood, II.297; D A
Halliday - Edirburgh in Cmd,
26.3.97; C R Murns - PJHQ
Northwood, 25.97; R A N PalmerMOD Bath, I4.1.97; M J Rijey MOD London, I.4.97; N S Smith -MOD London, 25.4.97.

LOCAL LIEUTENANT-COLO-NEL: J V V Parker - Fearless. 25.4.97. MAJOR: S T Chicken - 539 ASLT SQN RM, 17.7.97; J S Mason -HQRM, 11.7.97; P H Parsons - HQ North, 5.9.97.

Forthcoming marriages Mr P.D.C. Redding

Mr A.C. Attwood and Miss M.L. Robinson The engagement is announced between Alistair, son of Mr and Mrs Thomas Attwood, of Teddington, Middlesex, and Michelle, only daughter of the late Mr J.R.W. Robinson and of Mrs

ida Robinson, of Aistralia. Mr S.C. Attwood

and Miss S.L.M. Harman The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Attwood, of Midsomer Norton, Bath, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs James Harman. of Holmbury St Mary, Dorking. Mr R.M. Hartson and Miss A.J. Griffiths

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Hartson, of Auckland, New Zealand, and Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Griffiths, of Kneesall,

Mr R.S. Maingot and Miss R.J. Thornton The engagement is announced between Richard Stephen, younger son of Mr and Mrs Bill Maingot, of Plumpton Green, Sussex, and Rachel Joy, only daughter of Dr and Mrs Jeremy Thornton, of Upminster, Essex.

Mr R.J. Matthews and Miss S.F. Gleanic The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs Richard Matthews, of

Shroton, Dorset, and Sarah, daughter of Captain and Mrs Patrick Glennie, of Clanfield, Hampshire. Captain E.J.A.P. Murphy, KOSB,

and Miss C.E.A. Goodhart
The engagement is announced
between Edmund, son of Mr and Mrs Matt Marphy, of Farnborough, Hampshire, and Caroline, daughter of Mrs Angela Goodhart, of Winterslow, Wilt-

shire and the late Lieutenant

Colonel Mark Goodhart.

and Miss R.G. Petrie The engagement is announced between Philip, elder son of Profes. sor S.G. Redding, of Hong Kong. and Mrs C. Boyde, of London, and Rebecca, daughter of Wing Com-mander and Mrs K.R. Petrie, of London

Marriages Air Vice-Marshal C.S. Betts and Miss D.M. Clarke

The marriage took place on Friday, October 18, in Salisbury. Wiltshire of Air Vice-Marshal Stephen Betts and Miss Denys

Mr D.F.I. Hickmore and Miss N.V. Jeska
The marriage took place on Saturday, November 2, 1996, in Redfern. Kent, of Daniel Hickmore and Narasza Vivi Jeska Captain A. Madean Bather, QRH,

and Miss E.E. Thompson
The marriage took place on Saturday, November 2 at the Church of St John the Baptist, Cottered, of Captain Alexander Maclean Bather, son of the late Mr Colin Maclean Bather and of Mrs Colin Maclean Bather, of Windlesham, to Miss Emma Thompson, daugh-ter of Mr and Mrs Brian Thompson, of Cottered. The Rev Ian Stewardson officiated

Stewardson officiated.
The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Pamela Rowbotham, Miss Susannah Humphries, Miss Victoria Maclera Pather Alicon Bulmer Maclean Bather, Alison Bulmer and Vita and Greta Hewison. Mr Toby Erskine Crum was best man. A Guard of Honour was found by Warrant Officers and Sergeants of the Queen's Royal Hussars (Queen's Own and Royal Irish). Mr C.D. Park

and Mrs H.M.A. Tutt The marriage took place on Thursday, October 24, of Mr Christopher Dixon Park to Mrs Helen Margaret Ann Tutt, nee Honess.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Marie Curie, chemist Nobel laureate 1903 and 1911, Warsaw, 1867; Lise Meitner, physicist, co-discoverer of nuclear fis sion, Vienna, 1878; Leo Trotsky, Russian Revolution leader. Yanovka, 1879; Albert Camus, novelist, Nobel laureate 1957, Mondovi, Algeria, 1913, DEATHS: John Kyrle (the Man of

Ross), philanthropist, Ross, Herefordshire, 1724; Sir Charles Kingsford Smith, aviator, lost in flight after passing over Calcutta, 1935: Geoffrey Dawson, Editor of The Times 1912-19, 1923-41, London, 1944: Richard Sorge, German born spy, executed, Tokyo, 1944; John Carmel Heenan, cardinal, Archbishop of Westminster 1963-75, London, 1975: Gene Tunney, world heavyweight boxing champion 1926-28, 1978; Steve McQueen, film actor, Mexico.

The last public hangi at Tybum, 1783. The coast-to-coast Canadian Pa-

cific railway was completed, 1885. The October revolution took place in Russia (known as such from the Old Style calendar date of October

Lord Wandsworth College

The Governors of Lord Wandsworth College are pleased to announce the appointment as Headmaster of Mr Ian Power, currently Housemaster and Head of Science at Millfield School, in succession to Mr Guy Waller who has been appointed to the Head-ship of Cranleigh School from September 1997.

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Receptions

Academy of Experts Lord Slyn of Hadley, Immediate Past President of the Academy of Experts, installed Lord Howe of Aberavon, CH, QC, as president at a reception held last night in the Engine Rooms, Tower Bridge. The High Commissioner of New Zealand was among those present. Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators

Mr Gerald Moloney, President of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, presided at a reception held last night at 16 Park Crescent after the Marylebone Parish Church.

Venners plc held a Centenary

Service dinners

Rosyth Submarine Engineers Commander G. McAleese was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Rosyth Submarine Engineers held last night in HMS Caledonia. Lieutenant-Com-mander D.B. Harwood presided and Captain D.M. Johnson also spoke. Commodore F.G. Thompattended.

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PRIVATE: 0171 481 4000 Esmember, the final age of this world is to be a time of turnoit. People will love nothing but self or money, they will be boastful, arro-tant. One absolute. BIRTHS

gant and abusive; disobedient to parents, devoid of gratitude, piety and natural affection. 2 Timothy 3: 1-3

BIRTHS ARIDA - On November 5th 1996 at The Portland

BUCKWORTH - On 17th EYRME - On 4th October 1996,

to Isabelle Osborne and Alan Byrne, a daughter, Ellis Gwennaëlle Mirlam DANIEL - On 11th October, to Jane (nee Youens) and Richard, at The Chelson and Westminster Hospital, a Laughter, Ruby Jane Frances DRING/FRANCOIS - On November 1st in London, to

Tanya Dring and Jeremy Francois, a son, Nicholas HALL - On November 1st at The Portland Hospital, to Bobert and Lindsey (nee Bovill), a beautiful daughter, Genevieve Mary, a sister for

Germa and Coorga.

HANNA - On October 29th
1976. to Tracey (nee
Benzecry) and Robert, a
wonderful son, Eo., William
Michael, a brother for Bertle. HAYDON - On Monday 4th November 1996 at St Thomas' Hospital, London, to Davina (née Hosking) and Henry, a son, William Henry Hosking. HUXHAM - On 20th October is

ister for Lawrence and

ERRER - On October 31st at The Portland Hospital kveiling mit joy. Tamara Beth a beautiful sister for lott Saska and Essays. Add odi Sasha nad Emma. Ol SENT - On 24th October

to Emma (nee Le Marquand) and Michael, a son, Tom. & brother for Jack. RIGMAN - On October 29th Singapore, to Penny and sothy, a daughter, India

DEATHS

BALLANCE - Anthony peacefully on 4th November aged 75. Much loved husband and father. Funeral Service to be held Monday 11th November 11.30 am at All Saints Church, Cakham. Flowers to Fronte of Orbham. BALLANCE Flowers to Fords of Oakham.

BERRY - David John on November 5th 1996 suddenly in hospital, beloved husband of Birgitu and father of Nina and Fays. Funeral at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, on November 14th at 230 pm.

BROUGHTON - Joan Neil on Monday November 4th 1996 of Royston, Herts. and formerly of Faraborough, Hants. Denziy loved wife of Owen (Bill). All enquiries to S. Newling & Son on (01763) 242375. CLEFFE-JONES - David Roger on

3rd Novamber 1996, saddenly after a short liness in Perth Soyal Infirmary, aged 58 years. Beloved husband of Margaret and son of Germaine. Dearly loved father of Suzy, Victoria, Sophia, Fleur and Guy and much loved grandfather to his many grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Sadly taken so early from his loving family and many friends. For funeral arrangements please runneral arrangements please Inneral arrangements please contact: Thomas Forber & Co. tel: 0121-427 2233.

CLIFFON - Lieutemant Colonel Peter Thomas CVO. D.S.O. D.L., on November 5th suddenly and pencefully at home. Husband of Patricia. Funeral at All Saints Church, Dummer, at 12 noon Thursday 14th November. Family flowers only.

DEATHS

WALDRAM-ROPER - On November 2nd 1996 in November to Karen and CLOSE - Suddenly on 4th November 1996 Reginald Arthur CBE, sometime British Council Representative in Santiago, eptative in S

> HAMWEE - On November 5th peacefully at her home peacefully at her home legine (Reggie), loving wife of Asian Lionel and adored mother of Caroline, Rayman and John and devoted grandmother of Alice, Philip. Sophie and Pippa. Funeral today, November 7th at 3 pm

HOCOMBE - Marie Francis suddenly on 28th October 1996 aged 80 years, in Dubrovnick, Bosnia, Mother of Timothy Hocombe, Burlal took place in France on 1st November, Memorial Service to be arranged, enquiries to Timothy Hocombe, Kerto, Locoal-Mendon, 56555 France, tel: 00-33-2-97-24-55-96.

HOLDEN - On 4th November 1996 peacefully in Clairmont Nursing Home, William Edward Paul Holden (Paul), aged 92 of Hove and formerly of Upuninater, Dearly loved husband of Barbara and father of William and Pauline.

Representative in Santisgo, Prague, Tokyo and Atheus, Dearly loved husband and father, mourned by his wife Eleanor, sons Anthony, David and Peter and other members of the family-funeral Service at 11.15 am on Tuesday 12th November at Woodvale Chapel, Lewes Road, Brighton, followed by Interment. Family flowers only by request please. All enquiries to Attree & Rent Ltd., 113 Church Street, Brighton, (ed. (01273) 688228.

at Southern Cemetery, Manchester Family Nowers

only.

HELS - Constance Mary died peacefully at home on 31st October 1996, aged 34 years. Beloved mother to John. widow of Arnold Charles Hills. The funeral will take place on Monday 11th November at 2.30 pm at The Chilterns Crematorium. Amersham. Donations if desired payable to the Children's Sociaty 2/0 Stuart Price Funeral Service, 13 Hill Avenue, Amersham, HP6 SSD.

HOMSI - George Habib, much loved husband of Christian. ember 3rd suddenly n France after a short

HOLT - On Saturday November 2nd, Lady Margaret Holt, pearefully at Satton Scotney, near Winchester. Widow of Sir Edward Holt Bt. Funeral as St Mary's Church, Necher Alderiey, Cheshire on Thursday 14th November at 12 neon. Family flowers only please, but donations may be made to the Christie Hospital Womens' Trust Fund c'o juo. Steel & Son. Chesli Honse, Winchester SO23 OHU.

LEE-LRF - On 6th November, peacefully, in Westergate House, Fontwell, Edith Ida Frances (me Noether) aged 88. Much loved wife and friend of Harry, mother of Nicola and the late Feter, grandmother and great-grandmother. Cremation will take place at Chichester family flowers only.

Donations, if desired, to
Oxfam, r/o FA. Holland &
Son, 3 [ubilee Road,
Chichester.

MACKIM - On November 5th 1996 at home Joan Elizabeth, aged 89, widow of Capi, W. Swoder MC RFA and Lt. Col P.H. Macklin OBE RWK. Much loved mother RWK. Much loved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother ond friend. Cremation Tuesday November 12th, Weston Mill Crematorium, Plymouth, at 2pm. Memortal Service to be held later at Wimpole, Cambs. Enquiries to S.I. Backwell, tel: (01822) 612034.

MITCHELL. - Stella Mary Widow of Tim and dearly loved mother of Susie, Gillie, Lindsay and Clare and grandmother of Kerin, Lucy, Joanthan, Timothy, William and Bea. Peacefully in hospital on Wednesday 6th November aged 32 years. Funeral Service at St Michaels Little Badminton on Saturday 9th Kovember at 2.30 pm. Family Covern only but donations in Hen if desired to the Alzheimer's Society, Gordon House, 10 Greencoat Place, London SWIP 1PH.

PATOM - Joan peacefully on 4th November at St Wilfrid's Bospice, Chichester, aged 76, the adored wife of Eric, nother of Bosamund, Johanny and Charlie and seven grandchildren Service will be held at Chichester Cathedral on Tuesday 12th November at 2.45 pm. Family flowers.

grandfather of Katheri grandfather of Katherine and Nicholas. Funesal at 1.30 pm Monday November 11th, at Ameraham Crematorium. Flowers to K.Y. Green, 29 Cambridge Street, Aylesbury or dopations to The Iain Rennie Hospica at Home, 93 Western Road, Tring, Herts, HP23 4EN.

QUARRIE - Elsie Margaret (née Worley) on 2nd November 1996, much loved stepmother to Joan Bennet and grandmother to Borry. Andrew and John. Privat Cremation. Memorial Service at Church of the Good Shepherd, Tadworth, 14th December 12 2002

RAYMOND - On November 5th 1996 Daphne I rene after many years of ill health borne with great courage and patience. Loving and caring sixts to Particks and Roy (deceased). Senior partner of Lestie Enymond and Roymson for 25 years. Private Cremation, Service of Thanksgiving for Daphne's life will be hold on Friday November 15th at 12 noon at Aldeburgh Furish Church, Suffolk Donations if desired made payable to the British Heart Foundation or National Institute for the Elind c/o Tony Browns Funeral Service, Saxmundham, Suffolk. REID - Mabel peacefully at home on 4th November 1996. Sadly missed by family and friends. Funeral Service to be held at All Saints Church, Sandenstead, on Monday 11th November at 10.30 am. All enquiries to Coop Funezal Service, 100 Brighton Road, Purley, tel. (0181) 660-7622.

OSERTS - Constance 'Dixis', of Aylsham, aged 91, in hospital on Sunday 3rd November after a short illness, former Consultant illness, former Consultant Psychiatrist at Hellesdon Hospital, Norwich Dearest sister of Phyllis, much lowed aunt of Anthony, Christopher and Tim Hawkims and greet-aunt of Alya and Tom. The funeral service will take place on Toesday, 12th November, at 2.30 pm sr St Faith's Crematorium, Horsham St Faith, Norwich, Flowens to Peter Taylor Funeral

Norwich.
SHELLEY - P.G. (Peter), widower of Dorothy, deady loved father of Deirdra and Caroline and beloved grandfather. Funeral at St John the Baptist Church, Little Missenden, at 130 pm on Monday 11th November 1996 followed by interment at Great Missenden. No at Great Missenden. No flowers. Donations to Creat Ormand Street Hospital clo Cooks Funeral Service, Chesham.

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SIMMONIOS - Douglas Martin bors Lundon, England, May 17th 1914 died San Luis Obispo, California November 2nd 1996. So many interests and such a dear and talented fellow. Military (Gradunts of Royal Military College, Sandhurst) served in World War Two fank of Capenin Royal Fusiliers. Linguist, writer, composer, world traveller, photographer. For about 20 years he photographed homes and gardens for hational magazines and the Los Angeles Times Home Magazine. Always so considerate of others, and the delight of my life for over sixty years. Hills leving write Hilaric (Hilds) Simmonds. A Kemorial Service will be held at The Mission San Luis Obispo at 10 am on November 12th 1996.

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WALMESLEY-COTHAM - It. Col. IKP. (Parkly) aged 79 years, late Royal Tank Regiment, on November 2nd 1996, atter a long illness, beloved husband of Angela and broker of Dick Evally. beloved husband of A and brother of Dick F

beloved husband of Angels and brother of Dick. Family Requiem Mass at % Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, Norwich Road, Ipswich on Tuesday November 12th at 2pts. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations payable to Alzheimers Research Trust may be sent to Farthing. Singleton & Hastings, 650, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich, IP4 4PW.

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TOMMY LAWTON

Tommy Lawton, former England and Everton centre forward, died yesterday aged 77. He was born on October 6, 1919.

ad his international career not been interrupted by the Second World War, which broke out within 12 months of his gaining his first England cap, the sheer statistics of Tommy Lawton's playing life might well have been second to none. Had he not lost seven full seasons between the ages of 19 and 26 his tally of goals must surely have reached awesome proportions. As it is, his 22 goals in a mere 23 appearances for England speak for themselves, and his place among the all-time greats of the game is secure.

From the toes of his dubbin-impreg-

nated boots to his heavily-slicked, centre-parted hair, Lawton was a player who not only imparted great power to the game through his penetrating runs at centre forward for Everton and England, but he was also a figure of immense charisma, in an era before that term had been spawned. Danger always impended for the opposition whenever Lawton was on the pitch. He had tremendous aerial ability and the strength of his running and shooting could strike fear into the hearts of defences until quite late into his career.

Above all, he was a figure of pride and pomp at a time before those qualities were not necessarily much appreciated when displayed by men from "ordinary" backgrounds. In an age when the rewards for professional footballers were not great, he knew his worth - and meant to be paid at a corresponding rate. In the mid-1930s he went to Everton for a, for then, startling £6,500. In 1947 he joined Notts County for the first-ever £20,000 fee, He had several disputes with the clubs he played for, and these were well publicised much as such things are today. His exit from football after unsatisfactory managing careers with Kettering and Notts County was a sorry departure from a game he had graced so magnificently for twenty vears.

Born in Bolton, Lawton revealed his outstanding ability in schools football, scoring 570 goals before joining Burnley, where he also played cricket in the Lancashire League. At his professional debut on his seventeenth birthday he celebrated with a hat-trick against

The sensation this created was nothing compared to that in December 1936 when Everton paid what seemed. to be a reckless figure of £6,500 for



Burnley's goal-scoring prodigy only a few weeks after his eighteenth birth-day. He was the intended successor to Dixie Dean, and by the beginning of the 1937-38 season Lawton was ready to

Twenty-eight goals came in his first full season, and 34 the following year to lead Everton to the League championship in 1938-39. Lawton won the first of his England caps that season, against Wales 12 days after his nineteenth birthday. He scored one of England's goals in a surprising 4-2 defeat. By the time the war arrived he had

played six more games for his country scoring four more times, and was already established as England's regular centre-forward. A regular in wartime internationals, he resumed his full international career with hardly a hiccup, leading what is possibly the finest England forward line of all time, with Matthews and Finney on the wings, and Mannion, Mortensen and Carter disputing the other two forward positions. Twice Lawton scored four goals, against Holland and in the Lisbon, and he was one of the scorers

the way to a new fruitful career, but a return to Notts County as manager was less successful, and he was sacked after a year. That was the end of his football career, and he took over a pub.

His reputation for financial hardheadedness in football was not reflected in his business life. Much of the rest of his life was spent in more or less straitened circumstances. There was a string of court appearances for minor financial peccadilloes, petty thefts, deceptions and non-payment of rates. Nevertheless, both Everton and Brentford staged testimonial matches, though without doing more than easing the burden for a time. From the early 1970s onwards he had suffered from poor health having sustained a heart attack at the age of 50. Latterly he had written a column for his local

in possibly the team's finest ever

performance, the 4-0 win over Italy in

He was never again to match his

prewar achievements in club football,

however. Aware that he had lost a

sizeable chunk of his career when the

game got back to normal, he was

unsettled at Everton and moved to

Chelsea for a then record £11,500 in the

belief that the rewards would be

greater in London. But although he

played a memorable part in the

friendly against Moscow Dynamo,

and scored 30 goals in 42 games for the

club, the London side's search for the

championship was unsuccssful, and in

November 1947 he astonished the

football world by joining third division

Third-division football did not help

to prolong his international career.

however. He played only once more

after the win in Turin, a 0-0 draw with

Denmark marking his final interna-

tional appearance in 1948. He was still

not 30. He gave Notts County good

value, the average gate increasing from

9,000 to 35,000 and the club gaining promotion during his stay before he moved, again amid controversy, to

Brentford in 1952. Two years later,

Arsenal, desperately needing a focal

point to their attack, took him back to

Though he did not score with his old

panache, his footballing brain and

flicked headers were still powerful

weapons. He was at Arsenal for three

years before moving to Southern

A successful start appeared to point

League Kettering as player manager.

the First Division at 34.

Notes County for £20,000.

Turin in May 1948.

The death of his wife in 1988 was a blow from which he never really recovered. For the past several years he famous 10-0 victory over Portugal in had been living in a Nottingham Lisbon, and he was one of the scorers nursing home. There were no children.

THE EARL GRANVILLE

Granville James Leveson Gower, 5th Earl Granville, MC, Lord-Lieutenant of the Western Isles, 1983-93, died on October 31 aged 77. He was born on December 6, 1918.

JAMIE GRANVILLE was one of the many nephews and nieces of the Queen Mother to have predeceased her. He was the son of her sister Rose, who died in 1967 and who had married the 4th Earl Granville in 1916. His father, a viceadmiral who had been shortlisted for Scott's last polar expedition, was Governor of Northern Ireland and the first Knight of the Garter to be appointed by the Queen in 1952.

Granville attracted press attention as a cousin of the Oueen. With his mother and sister he was a guest in the Queen's Box at the Coronation in 1953, succeeding his already sick father as 5th Earl just three weeks later.

He also acquired the reputation of being an eccentric recluse, a sobriquet thrust upon him by the press and one which was not entirely justified, even though he lived mainly on the Outer Hebridean island of North Uist, which he purchased in 1961 from the Duke of Hamilton for £60,000. His house on the island, Callernish, was designed and built by the architect Martyn Beckett. its garden laid out in 1965 by the late James Russell of Sunningdale Nurseries. An imaginative blend of vernacular idiom and modern comfort, it commands spectacular views from St Kilda to the

Sound of Harris. Lord Granville also had a house in London and was sometimes to be seen at parties. From time to time he unwittingly fed the journalis-tic appetite for eccentricity, as contests.

October 16 aged 72.

He was born in

Johannesburg on August 2, 1924.

His book, Sexual Devi-

ation, became a standard text

and he was to practise as a

psychoanalyst almost until the

end of his life when motor

neurone disease began to af-

many sculptures his most

significant is his triptych The

Holocaust Chapel which, re-

cently exhibited in St Paul's

Cathedral, is to be permanent-

ly situated in Berlin in a newly

Rosen also designed the altar.

Latvian Jewish parents who had emigrated from Tsarist

Russia to work as hoteliers in

South Africa, Ismond Rosen

was still a small boy when he

began to mould figures in

clay, copying the art of the Africans who lived around

him. But, as a pupil at Pretoria

Boys' High School he also

proved himself to be an out-

standing sportsman and ex-

ceptionally academically

gifted. He went on to win a

place to read medicine at

could combine medicine and

art. When he was studying under the palaeontologist.

Professor Raymond Dart, he

was presented with skull frag-

ments from Australopithecus

Prometheus - man's progeni-tor, according to Dart - and

asked to model the cranium

and soft facial tissues which

would have made up the head. He found this challenge casier

than most other students

Rosen soon found that he

Witwatersrand University.

Born of Lithuanian and

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when he was fishing in his speedboat in the English Channel and the engine exploded, forcing him to send distress signals to summon the Walmer lifeboat. And in 1962 he was taken to court for unpaid rates of £61 15s, though he insisted that neither the final demand nor the summons had reached him.

But over-enthusiastic reporting may have played a part in the most recent such tale, when it was claimed in

1985 that an emissary of the Oueen, who would sometimes call in on her cousin from Britannia for a picnic, had found Granville perched on a rock, washing his socks. Denying the story, the Earl explained: No. we have a washing machine."

Granville James Leveson

Gower was educated at Eton and served throughout the war in the Coldstream Guards, both in Tunisia and Italy. He was wounded twice. mentioned in dispatches and won the Military Cross in 1945. During the war, he was

renowned for his skill as a sniper. He left the regiment as a major. An accomplished shot and swordsman, he represented Britain in sabre

ISMOND ROSEN

Later he worked at Courts Bank in their Strand office for some years. He was president of the Navy League from 1953 to 1966, a Deputy Lieutenant of Inverness from 1974. As Vice-Lord-Lieutenant of the Western Isles, then Lord Lieutenant from 1983, he worked hard to promote the islands and develop their resources.

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Lord Granville married Doon Plunket, a Guinness heiress, in the chapel of Marlborough House in 1958. The Queen Mother was present at the ceremony and at the reception at St James's Palace. The bride was the daughter of the Hon Brinsley Plunket and his wife Aileen (one of three famous Guinness sisters and

still alive at 92), who lived in

great style at Luttrellstown

Castle, Co Dublin, On North Uist, one of the loveliest of the Hebridean islands, Granville and his wife found a traditional and largely self-contained community. Gaelic-speaking and with limiting communications (aeroplanes in those days had to land on the beach). They flung themselves into island life (going south, it is said, only when commanded), and Granville was a pioneer of the aquaculture that now contributes much to the local economy; he was quick to spot the potential of fish farming, and

salmon ranching. The Earl was a good-humoured, modest and charming man, who latterly suffered the tragedy of encroaching blindness. An adventurous and accomplished cook and a generous host, he kept open house at Callernish in true

experimented with oyster and

scallop cultivation as well as

Hebridean fashion. The Granvilles had two sons and a daughter. The elder son. Viscount Leveson. born in 1959, a former page to the Oueen, succeeds to the

GERARD ANDRE



Gérard André, French Thailand on November 4 aged 83. He was born on March 31, 1913.

IN THE whole history of postwar Anglo-French relations, no one played a more significant, if often latent, role, than Gérard André in resolving differences and fostering understanding, as much between the governments as the peoples of the two countries. For nearly a quarter of a century — 1945-69 — he served at the French Embassy in London, building up, as the years wern by, a uniquely wide circle of friendships and con-

probably knew more about this country than most of its citizens and certainly more than any foreigner. He thus became a nearly indispensable member of the staff of successive French Ambassadors in London.

As well as his diplomatic skills, his capacity for loyal friendship was infinite, extending far beyond the great. the good or the politically important. He accumulated a prodigious number of godchildren, on both sides of the Channel, and was caring of all of them. An invitation to dinner at his apartment lusually a modest one, belitting his circumstances) was an or ing to a world in which civilised values, such as tolerance, understanding of others' viewpoints and a true spirit of internationalism, mingled with a lively exchange of current gossip — always, where Gérard was concerned, well informed and non-malicious - and strong doses of

humour. Yet, despite achieving the status of an honorary Englishman, he never lost his essential Frenchness. His English. though colloquially perfect, was expressed in a distinct Parisian accent, and a Gauloise cigarette, its smoke curl-

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tacts, to the point that he invariably straitened financial ing up into his eyes, was (until later lite ne gave up the hab it) a more or less permanent addition to his face

Andre was a graduate of the

École des Sciences Politiques. On the outbreak of war in 1939, he served with the French Army, being taken prisoner the following year. Subsequently released, he served again in 1944-45, winning the Médaille Militaire, and in April 1945 he joined the foreign ministry. Posted to London where M René Massigli was the first postwar French Ambassador, he began as an attaché, advancing in time to the ranks of second secretary, first secretary and minister-counsellor.

In 1969 his employers at the Quai d'Orsay ruled that enough was enough. It was a question of "get on or get out". With much regret, for he had no desire to leave London, he accepted the inevitable and went as Amhassador to Finland (1969-75). He headed the French delegation to the Helsinki Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. He finished his career as Ambassador to Thailand, where in the fine old French Embassy building beside the Chao Phraya river, he fashioned a whole new circle of Thai friends.

On retirement, André built a small house overlooking the sea on the island of Phuket. Here, tended by devoted Thai servants, he spent most of each year. But he never forwent his annual visit to Paris and London, invaluable as the means of keeping up old friendships.

Ismond Rosen, psycho-analyst and artist, died on FEW people attain a fellowship both of the Royal College of Psychiatry and of the Society of Portrait Sculptors. But Ismona Rosen developed his interests in the fields of both psychiatric

Graduating in 1946, Rosen fect him severely. Of all his studied psychoanalytical medicine at Tara Hospital on the outskirts of Johannesburg. All this while he maintained his interest in art, modelling portraits of patients and staff as well as a bust of Sir John Hunter, the founder of modern surgery, which, along with several other of his works. stands in the Royal Society of

Medicine today. In 1951 he came to Britain where he secured a job at the Maudsley and Bethlehem Hospital, before going on to travel in continental Europe for six months. He went to Paris, Nice, Florence and Rome.

After six years at the Maudsley, Rosen moved on to the Portman Clinic where he specialised in problems of sexual deviation and delinquency. He committed himself to a rigorous schedule of work when he began to train, in association with Anna Freud.

as a psychoanalyst. During the 1950s Rosen also worked as the writer and presenter of the television programme Fantasies of the Night, a study of dreams. He also made a documentary, The Rat Man, the only authorised study of one of Freud's most celebrated cases, starring Edward Fox.

Rosen began to sculpt more

when he purchased his Hampstead studio house after his marriage in 1963 to a leading South African actress. Ruth Abromowitz. The 1970s were to prove years of great activity. As well as becoming chairman of the Paddington Centre for Psychotherapy -the only such institution within the NHS, and one which he defended fiercely against threatened closure - he also maintained a flourishing private practice. At the same time, shows of his sculpture were held at the Camden Arts Centre and the Whibley Gallery.

Rosen often visited Israel and in 1981 produced a collection of paintings and poems. Songs of the Judean Hills. The Tate Gallery, recognising his unusual combination of talents, invited him to lecture on the psychoanalytical aspects of artists such as Burne Jones, Richard Dadd and Otto

Dix. His last creative act, when motor neurone disease had deprived him of the use of almost all but his left hand, was to design in steel and marble the altar to stand near the triptych which he designed for the restored Kreuzkirche in

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, and by a son and a daughter.

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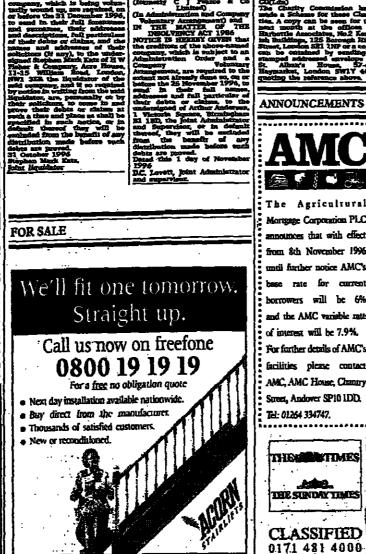
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He was unmarried. would have done. MR. MACDONALD ON HIS DEFEAT. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, as Leader of the Labour Party, was entertained at a com-plimentary dinner ... Mr. MacDonald, who was received with loud cheers on rising to reply to the toast, said:- "I feel indeed both

proud and happy ... Now where do we stand? Don't let us make any mistake about where we stand generally. We accept the decision. They say that every country has got the Government it deserves. Our duty under those circumstances is to make the people of this country deserve a better one. So far as we succeed in our efforts, so the better Government will emerge. In consequence of our own experience, we claim that our own Government deserves that characterization. We stand by democratic institutions. I associate myself to the fullest extent with every word Mr. Clynes said about the Communists, (Cheers.) We stand for democracy, for Parliament.

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ON THIS DAY

November 7, 1924

On January 22, 1924, Ramsay MacDonald became the Prime Minister of the first Labour Government. He had an unenviable task, leading a minority government, dependent on the Liberals. It fell in October after a vote of censure.

in favour of stable government, but before you get that you have to have stable minds. You have to have the minds of your people so well possessed of their own principles and opinions that every little wind, every gale, every gust of passion or lear is just going to pass harmlessly over. "For nine months we governed. We made mistakes and blunders, but look at the big

things. There will be no paragraphs in history devoted to the blunders, but pages will be devoted to the successes. (Hear, hear.)

"The work in Europe, the work at home and the business-like way we handled our affairs,

the confidence we won, would in a stable nation have secured for us support even greater than that we have got. We are out for stability of mind, stability of public opinion. rigid adherence to what is right, rigid allegiance to what is of good report and what is really advancing the best interests of our country and people. The country has been deceived. They have been deceived by stories, by the way things have been represented. It will very soon find out its mistake, and then we will shall have no cause to look back upon the last week or two with regret at the result. It is to our good that the Labour Party should go back into Opposition; that, having felt the burdens of office, it should now consider its further progress and advancement: that, having now a body of men and women who know the inside of office and the difference between the practical application of principles and their clear enunciation on the platform, we should reform ourselves, re-gather the

forces, and prepare for the next onslaught "We leave the country healthier in mind and body than we found it. We have not left a clean sheet. I don't know when that is possible, but we have left a sheet that is far cleaner than the one that my colleagues and myself found when we went to our various

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Police given knife search powers

Police are to be given new stop-and-search powers to crack down on gangs carrying knives as part of the Government's drive to meet public anger over the culture of violence.

Michael Howard announced his proposals after meeting opposition spokesmen and talking to Frances Lawrence, who called for action after a youth was convicted of stabbing her headmaster husband to death.....

Senior figures resign from Clinton team

President Clinton, savouring his re-election, returned from Arkansas to a White House victory party to face spate of resignations from his first administration. Warren Christopher, 71, the Secretary of State, said he wished to retire and William Perry, 69, the Defence Secretary, said he planned to return to the private sectorPages 1, 18, 19

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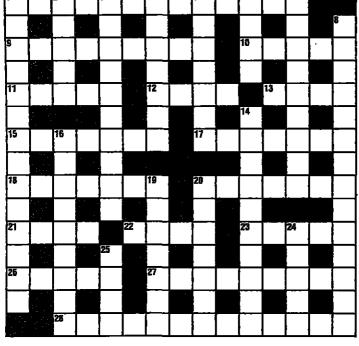
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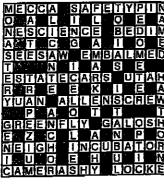


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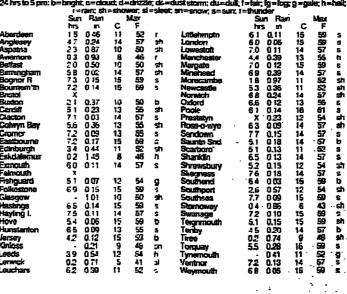
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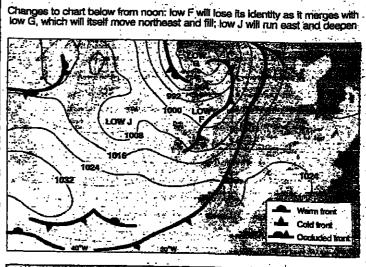
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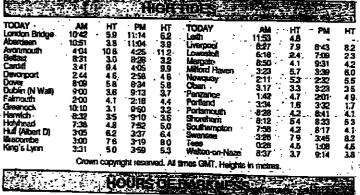


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Bank demands further rate rise

that inflation will be above the

target at the end of the forecast

horizon. And the short-run

rise in inflation means that there is now much less chance

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Clarke's pre-emptive strike 'too weak to contain inflation'

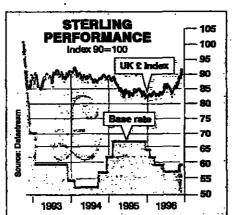
THE Bank of England yesterday issued a strong de-mand for higher interest rates, dashing Tory hopes that the "pre-emptive" increase in base rates announced by Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor of the Ex-chequer, last Wednesday would assure a period of stability in mortgage rates and keep monetary policy off the pre-election agenda.

The Bank's quarterly Inflation Report said that last week's quarter-point increase in base rates was not sufficient to ensure that inflation would fall below the Government's 2.5 per cent target. It argued that the recent strength of sterling should not be seen as a substitute for the necessary monetary rightening. Interest rates should continue to be raised even if this caused an unwelcome further strengthening of the pound, it insisted.

The Bank, of which Eddie George is Governor, also strongly hinted that the only

the rise in sterling, which is starting to disturb manufac-turers and exporters, would be to announce an increase in taxes or a sharp cut in public expenditure, in the Budget this month. It added that there was now little chance of achieving the Treasury's original infla-tion target, which was to get underlying inflation below 2.5 per cent by the end of the present Parliament. That will give opposition parties a stick with which to beat the Chancellor in the event of a give-

away Budget.
The publication of yesterday's hard-hitting Inflation Report rattled the City, lead-ing to an immediate fall in share prices, in sharp contrast to the strong gains on Wall Street and other European markets. The short-sterling futures market is now assuming that three-month rates will rise to 6.6 per cent by mid-March, implying at least



between now and the general election. Sterling initially election. Sterling initially weakened in response to the Bank's misgivings about the strength of the pound. But bulls of sterling took comfort from the Bank's insistence that interest rates should be raised, regardless of the im-

pact on sterling.

George: inflation target likely to be missed

Inflation Report stated: "Even of the inflation target remains after the recent increase in official interest rates, it remains more likely than not

should help to reinforce credibility. But what matters most is the continuous pursuit of a monetary policy which is con-sistent with achieving the target in the medium term. To ensure this outcome, some further rise in interest rates is

When asked about the timescale for future rate increases, Mervyn King, the Bank's chief economist, said only that the Bank's advice would be constantly reviewed in line with the new information becoming available each month. But he hinted that another rise. which would probably lead to higher home mortgage costs, was likely in the near future, noting that the next retail prices figures were likely to show a further acceleration of inflation. The building societies' decision not to raise mortgage rates last week, he said. gave no indication of what might happen to borrowing "over the coming months". He added that the Bank's satisfaction with the quarter-point increase last week did not imply that future

rate increases would necessarily be so small. The Inflation Report went

to great lengths to deal with the argument that higher in-terest rates should be avoided because they would damage

the economy by driving up the pound. The Bank expressed concern about the "shift in the balance of growth" from net exports to consumption and acknowledged that this would be reinforced by the appreciation of sterling". But "it would be a mistake to try to alter the

exchange rate". If monetary policy were not tightened. Britain's problem would be come a weak, rather than a strong pound".

Although the Bank is offi-cially not allowed to give public advice to the Chancel-New York or on taxes and public spend-

Barings sues former chief over loan

RON BAKER, the former head of derivatives at Barings who left in the wake of the Nick Leeson scandal, is being sued by the bank to recover a E100,000 loan he has allegedly

Barings claims that the loan was made to Mr Baker in two £50,000 tranches, the second being on February 9 last year. just two weeks before the bank learnt of the losses run up by Leeson in Singapore, which led to its collapse and rescue by ING, of The Netherlands.

The bank says Mr Baker received the loan in his capacity as a director of Baring Brothers, the merchant banking side of Barings. The bank is understood to give loans regularly to directors and staff at commercial rates, usually one percentage point above the prevailing bank base rate. Under the terms of the luan,

Barings claims that Mr Baker was supposed to pay it back at the end of June last year. It claims that it reminded him that he was due to pay it back a week before the due date and sent another demand to Mr Baker at the end of September last year. On both occasions. says the bank. Mr Baker refused to repay the loan.

Barings issued a writ against Mr Baker this week claiming £113,000, which is the loan plus interest. If he refuses to pay up, the bank could take steps to make him

hired from Bankers Trust, the UK bank, to head the depart-ment that was nominally in charge of the trading being conducted by Nick Leeson.

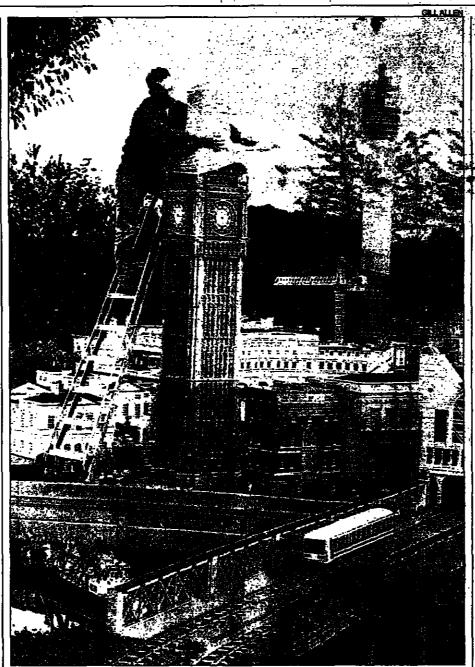
He was one of the directors who left the bank after its purchase by ING. Mary Walz, who worked directly for Mr Baker, is suing Barings for a £500,000 bonus which she said she was promised in the days before the bank's coldescribed her as "a star".

ING paid more than £100 million in bonus payments to staff it retained, but has refused to give anything to those who left because of the scandal.

Mr Baker is believed to be considering a similar action for a bonus of the same magni-tude, which he says he was told he would be paid. Mr Baker is facing disciplin-

ary action by the Securities and Futures Authority over his role in the Barings collapse. He is fighting the action, claiming he is a scapegoat who is being blamed for more fundamental problems at the bank.

Mr Baker was unavailable for comment last night, but Adam Epstein, of Fox Williams, his solicitor, said: "Mr Baker has a number of potential claims against people as a result of the way in which events unfolded in the wake of the bank's collapse. He is currently concentrating on clearing his name before he



Touring shroud: Henrik Lykke, a model instructor, helps to wrap up Legoland in Windsor, Berkshire, for the winter yesterday, at the close of a successful in which more than 1.4 million tourists visited. The 150-acre site cost £85 million to develop and a further £3.5 million investment in the park will include two new rides

US utility puts East Midlands on bid alert

MIDLANDS Electricvas last night on bid alert late admission of interest from a potential American predator.

The move came just one week after CE Electric, the US joint venture, launched a hostile bid for Northern Electric. After a huge jump in East Midlands' share price, Dominhad been looking to make an offer for the company. The company said its "executive management has been evaluating a potential offer for East Midlands Electricity and that the board of Dominion Resources will meet soon to consider this matter." It said it did not expect an offer much ahead of last night's closing price. East Midlands shares jumped 70p to 6072p yesterday, valuing the company at £1.2 billion. Dominion refused to comment

stood to be trying to contact East Midlands yesterday. East Midlands, one of five remaining independent regional companies, said that until there was something concrete from Dominion i

further last night. It was under-

could not comment. Bid rumours have stalked East Midlands for months, with US companies tipped as the most likely contenders, but the speculation has intensified in in the wake of the bid for Northern, Dominion Resources was linked with East Midlands in August, when a Virginian newspaper said the state's regulator had blocked a

£1.6 billion bid because of concerns about its ability toprotect its 1.8 million domestic customers from investment risks should it go ahead.

Under federal law, utilities wanting to buy an overseas distribution business need a letter from the regulator to say such investment is unlikely to affect domestic customers. Neither Dominion nor the regulator will say if the company now has such a letter but it is believed Dominion has all cessary documentation. East Midlands is thought

likely to defend a bid.

Top gear

CAR manufacturers received the boost for which they have waited nearly six years as sales in October soared to a new record. with strong demand from private buyers Page 28

AT&T calls

AT&T, America's biggest long-distance phone company, is in talks to partnership with Vodafone but downplayed speculation that it would launch a takeover offer for the mobile phone operator Page 29

Airbus order from USAir may be worth up to \$18bn

By Ketth Rodgers

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE, the European consortium, has clinched the world's biggest order for civilian aircraft in a deal with USAir that could be worth up to \$18 billion. Under the agreement, USAir has placed firm orders

for 120 Airbus aircraft, worth around \$5.3 billion at list price, with options over a further 280. The total deal would amount to around \$18 billion at full value, although USAir will have negotiated a

substantial discount. However, the airline, which is 24.6 per cent owned by British Airways, said the agreement is conditional upon it achieving a competitive cost structure through its current efficiency drive.

which has supplied 737 and 757 aircraft to the airline, and to McDonnell Douglas, which was also considered for the deal. USAir said Airbus was chosen because it has "the right combination of aircraft and delivery schedules", adding that it will now look at purchasing additional aircraft for its wide-body fleet, which

consists of Boeing 767s.

Delivery of the first tranche of Airbus A319, A320 and A321 aircraft is expected to start next year. The second phase a reconfirmable order - accounts for a further 120, and Airbus has options over another 160 with open-ended delivery dates. USAir hopes to reduce training and maintenance costs by replacing four The deal is a blow to Boeing, of the existing aircraft families

in its 400-strong narrow-body fleet with the one Airbus family while retaining the

bulk of its Boeing fleet. The first tranche brings the total number of firm orders for Airbus to 408 this year, and is the fifth US order this year. British Aerospace, which designs and manufactures Airbus wings and fuel systems. plans a 50 per cent increase in Airbus-related production next year. It has already hired 250 extra staff at its Chester

and Filton plants. USAir has yet to decide on an engine suplier. It is looking at both Rolls-Royce and a General Electric consortium. USAir has been an outspoken critic of British Airways' planned alliance with Ameri-

Wall Street celebrates Clinton win

WALL STREET has celebrated the US presidential election result that it was hoping for with a two-day rally that has taken the Dow Jones industrial average to a new high (Richard Thomson writes from New York). In the first hour of trading yesterday after the election of Bill Clinton to the White House for a second term, the Dow leapt nearly 40 points, to 6,116.22. This followed a

rise on Tuesday, in anticipation of the election result, of 39.50 points. The economy has thrived under President Clinton, and the budget deficit has fallen sharply, which has pleased financial markets. US bond markets held steady, with the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond yield

Society speculators elude windfall curb

By Anne Ashworth

THE Government will not curb the activities of speculators who open building society accounts hoping for a windfall bonus if the society converts to a bank, or is taken over.

Despite pressure from the societies, Angela Knight, the Economic Secretary, has decided not to strengthen the "two-year rule" that allows only those investors of two years' standing to benefit from mergers or flotations. The rule has proved relatively easy to circumvent, with newcomers or "carpetbaggers" offered shares, rather than cash.

In place of a tightening of the two-year rule, the Building Societies Bill contains a proposal to allow only those investors of two years' standing access to a society's register of members. Mrs Knight

explained that making it more difficult to obtain a register would prevent disruptive groups from contacting members to lobby for the conver-

sion or takeover of a society. The Bill would also remove the five-year takeover protection that covers a society once it becomes a bank if it went on the acquisition trail. The Halifax Building Society has said it can do without this safeguard. But if the Bill becomes law before the Alliance & Leicester and Woolwich conversions, it would cause them to rethink

their predatory ambitions. Mike O'Brien, Shadow Economic Secretary, commented: All the building societies asked for protection for members against mere speculators. The Government has refused to listen to them."



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Car industry given boost by return of private buyers

CAR manufacturers yesterday received the boost for which they have waited nearly six years as sales in October soared to a new record.

Registrations of new cars jumped 13.27 per cent against the corresponding month last year to 154,733, the highest October figure.

However, the best news from the figures, issued by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, was that private buyers – missing from showrooms since the recession — were back in big numbers. Sales to private customers rose 21 per cent last month, while company car sales were also ahead with an

increase of 7.48 per cent. October's mini-boom means that registrations for the year so far stand at 1,811,967, up 4.69 per cent on the ten-month total for last year, and give the industry the chance to register the highest sales total for new car sales since 1990. Roger King, the society's public affairs director, said: "These figures are most encouraging, particularly the rise in private registrations."

Industry analysts were speculating that publicity surrounding last month's British International Motor Show at Birmingham's National Exhihition Centre had encouraged a burst of activity in showrooms. Ironically, attendances at the show were down this year and the society is waiting to see November's figures

before it confirms any trend. However, buyers have witnessed a blitz of new model launches this autunin, from Jaguar's new XK8 to Ford's new city model, the Ka.

Vauxhall has also revamped its best-selling Vectra and are high that buyers have been biding their time, waiting for the appearance of the new cars

entering showrooms for the first time last month

Ford enjoyed a good month with sales up nearly 6.000 on last October. Vauxhall was also up. but Rover and BMW were down.

The wave of interest in the XK8 helped Jaguar to improve by almost 100 sales to 786 cars. Rolls-Royce, which sold 24 cars in October, 1995, sold 36 cars this time.

Peugeot, Volkswagen, Fiat, Mazda, and Mitsubishi also enjoyed sales increases, while Hyundai sold 1,470 cars compared with only 529 in October, 1995, strengthened by a new model range.

The top ten best-sellers in October were: Ford Fiesta (11,551), Ford Mondeo (9,361), Ford Escort (8,355), Vauxhall Vectra (7.294), Vauxhall Astra (6,829), Vauxhall Corsa (6,421). Peugeot 30o (4,894), Volkswagen Golf (4,843), Rover 400 (4,810) and Rover 200 (4,003).



Le Shuttle shrugged off gale-force winds of last month to double its Dover-Calais traffic volume of a year ago

Cobham flies high on £500m deal

By Keith Rodgers

SHARES of Cobham, the engineering and aerospace group, were lifted yesterday on confirmation that a threeway venture involving the company has won a £500 million Ministry of Defence

FBS, a venture between FR Aviation, a subsidiary of Cob-ham, Bristow Helicopter Group and Serco, was awarded the contract for the newly created joint service Defence Helicopter Flying School. It will supply 47 helicopters, together with training services in a 15-year deal beginning next April.

Although the venture gives equal shareholdings to the three parent companies, it is understood that Cobham will receive more than a third of the revenue because of the way the work is subcontracted. Giles Irwin, finance direc-

tor, said payment will be made in 13 instalments every year. FR Aviation and Serco already have a joint venture serving RAF Shawbury, one of

speed target towing services to

will be responsible for support services at Middle Wallop, where it already operates. Cobham also announced esterday that FR Aviation had won a three-year. E2

the Royal Navy. Cobham's shares registered a rise of 9p to 581 2p.

million order to supply low-

Le Shuttle wins almost * half traffic to Calais

By SARAH CUNNINGHAM

LE SHUTTLE is close to seizing half the market for transporting vehicles on the Dover-Calais route, new traffic figures released yesterday by Eurotunnel reveal.

In October, its best month this year apart from August Le Shuttle transported 241,300 cars, motorcycles, trailers, caravans and camper vans double the number it carried a year ago and nearly 50 per cent of all the vehicles using the route. Le Shuttle also carried 7,700 coaches, compared with 3,800 a year ago. According to Eurotume the gale-force winds and high seas of last month helped to boost its figures. Le Shuttle Freight achieved a new record in October, carrying 60,400 lorries, a 12 per cent increase on the previous high in July and 42 per cent up on October last year.

Eurostar passengers rose 52 per cent year-on-year in October to 498,200. A bank heliday weekend in France meant a good start to November, with cars equal to the numbers. seen in July and August.



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RBB gives new chief four-year contract

THE German chief executive of RBB, the £1.3 billion roof tile business being created by Redland, will have a £250.000-ayear contract that will not expire until November 2000. Erich Gerlach's contract — only extended earlier this year — is much longer than the one year regarded as best practice under the Greenbury guidelines. Herr Gerlach, chief executive of Braas, the German roofing business that will form the bulk of RBB, is expected to become a Redland main board director. In addition, Herr Gerlach is entitled to a yearly bonus of 0.095 per cent of Braas Group's profits. Last year this would have been worth nearly £215,000.

These details emerged as Redland reported that it had the go-ahead from the German tax authorities to form RBB. The deal, announced in April, will see Redland merge its roofing interests with those of Braas, in which it already holds a 50.8 per cent stake. Redland will receive £220 million in cash, and will own 56.5 per cent of the enlarged business. Redland's shareholders must still give their approval for the deal at an extraordinary general meeting on November 27. Tempus, page 30

Power deal in Turkey

NATIONAL POWER, the biggest electricity generator in the United Kingdom, yesterday signed its fifth international deal in as many months with a £26 million share in a new power station in Turkey. National Power, which has invested £900 million in overseas operations, has taken a third stake in the Turkish venture. Its partners are from Japan and Luxembourg. Work on the combined cycle gas turbine, which is situated 100 kilometres from Istanbul, will start next month and production is expected to start late next year.

Hicking Pentecost up

HICKING PENTECOST, the threads, knitwear and industrial products company, yesterday sought to reassure investors about its prospects by unveiling its results for the half-year to the end of September, showing a 13 per cent rise. in pre-tax profits to E3.84 million. The company, which brought forward publication of its financial results in response to a number of gloomy trading statements in its sector, said that its earnings per share rose by 11 per cent, to 12.4p. The interim dividend is lifted by 14 per cent, to 2.4p. The shares rose by 5p, to 3102p, yesterday.

BSkyB joint venture

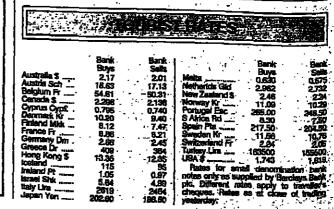
BSkyB, the satellite broadcaster 40 per cent owned by News International, owner of The Times, yesterday formed an Internet-advertising joint venture with OzEmail, an Australian Internet service provider. Each will contribute equally to the venture and OzEmail has granted BSkyB a two-year option to acquire two million OzEmail shares, equivalent to 15 per cent of the company, at US\$14 each. Elisabeth Murdoch, BSkyB's general manager of broadcasting, and Malcolm Turnbull, OzEmail chairman, have been appointed co-chairmen of the joint venture.

Texas's \$2bn auction

TEXAS Instruments has begun to auction its defense electronics businesses, valued at about \$2 billion, according to Wall Street sources. Potential buyers are said to include McDonnell Douglas, the aerospace manufactur-er. Shares of Texas rose 7 per cent to \$52 in early trading yesterday amid speculation that a deal would be amounced shortly. The businesses include operations that make missile sensors and seekers, advanced aircraft radars and night vision systems. Other potential bidders include the Hughes Electronics subsidiary of General Motors.

Britt Allcroft off to flyer

SHARES in Britt Alleroft Company, which owns the rights to Thomas the Tank Engine and Mumfie the Elephant, climbed 23 per cent yesterday as it made its debut on the Stock Exchange. The company, which is partly owned by the husband and wife team of Angus Wright and Britt Allcroft, placed 8.5 million shares at 130p per share and issued 3.8 million new shares to raise £4.2 million. The shares finished the day at 159.5p, valuing the company at:



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Cashflow for Business

☐ INFLATION, interest rates, sterling; the prospects for each hinge on whether Kenneth Clarke has already given up on Winning the next election. It would perhaps be better for the economy if he has. But on this analysis, Mr Clarke has the choice of handing over a healthy economy to Gordon Brown or doing his bit to ensure the Conservatives inherit a rerun of

the disasters of the late 1980s. Of such choices is politics made. The Bank of England's latest inflation report suggests we are heading for a rerun of the past few months, with a Chan-cellor at loggerheads with the Bank as pressure for higher base rates, in the form of worsening inflation figures, grows. Unless, of course, Mr Clarke has already conceded, in his own mind, that rates will have to rise again

before the election. The Bank believes that its earlier reports were too optimistic on inflation for unimportant reasons, such as higher oil prices that provide only a one-off boost, and for more important ones, price rises that reflected genuine higher demand. In its view there is now no chance of meeting the government's target of 2.5 per cent inflation by the end of this Parliament and the election.

Clarke's no-win situation

Last week's quarter-point base rate rise was merely a reversal of that last, unjustified cut in interest rates in June, therefore. If the Bank has accepted that a further rise will be needed, then expect the first of a series of ritual calls for another quarter-point rise as early as next month's Ken and Eddie meeting, and no later than January's.

The Bank says the rise in sterling, up by 8.3 per cent and counting in the three months since the last inflation report, is an irrelevance, because when consumer spending threatens higher inflation there is no point in expecting a rising exchange rate to head this off. Higher sterling, if inflation rises, will become self-correcting; we will end up, as in the late 1980s, with a weak pound instead

Mr Clarke must decide whether to sanction higher base rates, which would lead automatically to dearer mortgages and a feel-worse factor, ahead of the election — always on the assump-tion that the building societies do not anticipate any such decision by moving their rates up beforehand. He has been here before. and headed off Bank pressure on rates until inflation started to move down again. If he is tempted to bluff it out, this might halt sterling's rise. But if the higher pound is more to do with events on the Continent than in the UK economy, it will not. In which case Mr Clarke will find

himself assailed on both sides,

by the Bank and by British

industry. But he has been there

Emap rebels face the chop

before as well.

☐ FAMILY rows are best conducted in private, but the civil warfare on the board of Emap. the magazine publisher, has been embarrassingly public. Emap shareholders should by today have received both sides of the argument, on which they must base their vote at a special meeting on December 2.



The outcome of that vote is hardly in doubt. The two rebel non-executives who are trying to keep their jobs will go. They need a 50 per cent vote to survive, and it is inconceivable that the company's institutional share-holders, having seen the value of their investment fall 12 per cent from the year's high point since the row broke, will back two outsiders against the other 11. The best they can hope for is a good platform to plead their case with investors.

Their interpretation of events leading up to the rift does not accord with that of the rest of the board. The rebels, Joe Cooke,

vice chairman of The Telegraph, and Ken Simmonds, of the London Business School, say Sir John Hoskyns, the Emap chairman gave reassurances in July that new powers proposed for directors would not be used to remove them from office. But action against them to do just that started almost immediately.

Sir John tells shareholders this: action had not been planned CHITCHIS beforehand but was only taken. Cent 1 Crus after the two accused him of not D LOGICAL inconsistencies telling the truth. This was un (Part I): Ed Wallis, chairman of acceptable, and they had to go: He did not break his promise and use the new powers to throw. them out, because the old ones. were quite sufficient, thank you." What is clear is that the board is split, and the two do not lack

support elsewhere. Emap has chosen to bring its interim figures forward by a week to next Monday. The questioning will not be limited to the financial figures. Of particular interes will be the views of David Arculus, the managing director, and his relationship with Robin

Miller, chief executive, and the other main driving force behind the company. Mr Arculus is thought to support the rebels and to have fallen dut wife Mr Miller over other matters of corporate governance. He is unlikely to get away without straight answers.

Alternating

PowerGen, was up before the Trade and Industry Select Com-mittee yesterday. Talk came around to the failed bid for Midlands Electricity, blocked by the Government. He told the committee this was triggered in January last year by talks over the sale of some power stations ordered by the regulator. Another power company, East-ern, was a possible buyer, which would have put generation and distribution assets under one roof for the first time since privatisation. If that is the way

it is going then we have no choice but to follow," said Mr Wallis.

This does not entirely coincide with the way the deal was sold to the City eight months later, amid much talk of taking advantage of this and Midlands' expertise at that. Nothing about follow-myleader then. But Mr Wallis's views have changed equally dramatically on plans to challenge the government block in the courts. Judicial review "was a non-option for us", he told Parliament, citing complex legal arguments. But back in April this year, it was being actively considered; any suggestion to Mr Wallis then of legal difficulties was sterrily dismissed.

Blurred picture

□ LOGICAL inconsistencies (Part 2): The Independent Television Commission let Scottish TV buy Caledonian Publishing even though its 20 per cent share-holder. Mirror Group, owns much of the Scottish media. The ITC said Mirror did not exert a significant influence. Strangely, in Mirror's accounts Scottish TV is treated as an associate. The accounts' definition of associates? "Undertakings ... over which it is in a position to exert a

BT taps into £lbn MoD contract

DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

A CONSORTIUM led by British Telecom has won a £I billion contract to supply and manage a new voice and data telecommunications system for the Ministry of Defence. linked to every military base in the country.

The deal, which represents the largest privatisa-tion scheme agreed by the MoD under the Govern-ment's Private Finance Initiative, could put more than 1,000 ministry jobs at risk, although the consortium is expected to employ many of the current staff.

The new defence fixed munications system (DFTS) that will re-place the five existing networks, will cost about £700 million. MoD sources said that using the new tariffed service would cost the ministry another £300 million over the next

ten years. Subject to negotiations. the privatisation contract is to be blaced with Inca consortium, headed by BT in conjunction with Lockheed Martin, Oasis, an expert in service management, and GEC-

Marconi The MoD sources said that Inca had offered better value for money than the rival consortium led by Racal Managed Defence Services. The ministry hopes to save about £150 million over the next ten

years.
The Inca consortium will take over the telecommunications responsibilities currently carried out by about 1,200 MoD staff, half of whom are military, who are expected to be given other jobs, although some have already been earmarked for redundancy under the ministry's Defence Cost Study, an-

nounced in 1994. Under the privatisation scheme, the consortium will also manage the most sensitive and highly secure "core military" element, which covers emergency calls. The section will remain under MoD own-

The BT consortium will accept the risk of operating the system and will be expected to inject further capital in the future, which would otherwise have had to be found by the MoD. The total system will take four years to install, although the bulk of the new communications will be in place within 12 months of the final contract being

AT&T in talks to form alliance with Vodafone

By Eric Reguly

AT&T, America's biggest longdistance telephone company, is in talks to form a widepartnership with Vodafone, but the company played down speculation that it would launch a takeover offer for the mobile phone operator.

Rumours have been circulating since the weekend, when BT revealed that it will pay about \$20 billion for MCI of America, that AT&T would make an acquisition of its own in the telecoms sector. Vodafone, with a market

capitalisation of about £7.5 billion, is the largest of the four British mobile phone companies and has a significant overseas presence. AT&T sources said that AT&T probably would not buy tion of that size would divert financial and management resources from its core American market at a time when

they are needed most. The merged BT-MCI group, to be called Concert, poses the biggest threat yet to AT&T's domestic and international expansion plans. The company is spinning off its manufacturing and computer divisions to concentrate on telephone services and wants American regulators to block the BT-

AT&T, however, wants to form a partnerhip with Vodafone that would stop short of actual equity links. It has stated that it wants to offer mobile phone services to its residential customers. It could do so through Vodafone, with

bill for their fixed and mobile-

phone services. AT&T would also like to carry Vodafone's calls to the US and perhaps strike a transatlantic "roaming" agreement, which would allow Vodafone and AT&T customers to use their mobile phones in each other's

Vodafone shares ended the day unchanged at 246p, while BT shares lost 31p to close at 36612 p as concerns grew that US regulatory approval for its deal with MCI may be hard

Lord Tebbitt, a former Conservative Party chairman, has retired as a non-executive director of BT. He joined the board in 1987.



Mike Firth has resumed the role of chief executive

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Loss warning at **Yorkshire Foods** eats into value

YORKSHIRE FOODS is in talks with its bankers after issuing a warning that losses may incur exceed £10 million. Mike Firth, chairman of Yorkshire, and his colleagues were said to be having "con-structive discussions" with banks, headed by NatWest and Rabobank of The Netherlands, about the level of financial support that the company needs. A spokeswoman was unable to say whether York-

banking covenants. Yesterday's profit warning. the second in three months, caused shares in Yorkshire to lose a third of their worth, falling 14p to 28½p — valuing the company at less than £13 million. It is believed that Yorkshire's losses may be as great as £18 million. Share-holders' funds amount to around £32 million.

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shire was in breach of its

since joining the stock market three years ago, the company has turned itself into a dried fruit and nut company and blames US operations for its

Del Monte Corporation has ended its agreement to distribute Yorkshire's raisins and prunes from next June. Sales have already suffered as a result, while a poor raisin crop will do further damage. A third problem is the fluctuating prices of almonds and other crops, which will cost Yorkshire £6 million. The company incurred first-half

losses of £4.1 million. Mr Firth has resumed the role of chief executives that he relinquished last March. Dole Food Company of the US has increased its stake in

Yorkshire from 6.86 per cent

to 9.66 per cent.

Deutsche Telekom in demand with investors

BY OUR CITY STAFF

DEMAND for shares in Germany's state-owned Deutsche Telekom telephone company is outstripping the supply, raising the likelihood that the shares will be sold at near the top end of their expected price range later this month.

Bankers said that the initial public offering of 500 million shares, equivalent to 20 per cent of the company, is already more than four times oversubscribed, with a surprisingly high level of interest coming from individual German investors.

The strong demand in Germany means that domestic buyers, both institutional and retail, will probably be given the opportunity to buy about 70 per cent of the DM 15

billion issue, up from the original forecast of 62 per cent to 67 per cent. Investors in the United Kingdom are likely to take 8 per cent to 12 per cent. Deutsche Telekom, Europe's largest telephone company, last month announced an indicated price range of DM25 to DM30 a share.

Yesterday was the deadline for share-purchase applications to be made by retail final price will range from DM27 to DM29.50.

The German Government is unlikely to insist on a DM30 price because it wants to raise the probability that the shares will increase in value after trading commences on Nov ember 18. The price will set on Novem-

ber 16 and will be announced the next day.

Other European governments are said to be encouraged by the response to the investors. The French Government plans to privatise France Telecom next spring.

Analysts now think that the UK petrol venture for Elf

ELF, the French oil multinational, has teamed up with Chevron and Murphy Petro-leum, to pool UK refining and petrol station interests with the loss of up to 500 jobs. Elf UK, Chevron's Gulf Oil

subsidiary and Murco Petroleum have agreed to combine company, with Elf and Gulf each owning 41.25 per cent while Murco will own the remaining 17.5 per cent. The partners estimate they will share £50 million in cost reductions from consolidating

By Carl Mortished

two refinery operations into one at Milford Haven. The joint venture will retain the 108,000 barrel per day Elf/Murco refinery but Gulf's



115,000 bpd refinery will cease production but be retained as a storage or blending facility. Gulf will also sell its half share

Pembroke to its partner. Texaco. Some 250-300 jobs could go at the refineries with

the rest in administration. The three-way deal follows a downstream tie-up between BP and Mobil over European re-fining and marketing. Elf had been trying to sell its downstream interests in the UK. The new venture will have about 1.500 petrol stations and

cent, fourth largest after Esso, Shell and BP/Mobil.

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New job hopes for old coalfields

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

A HUGE regeneration of disused coalfields started yesterday in a governmentbacked plan that it is hoped will raise more than £1 billion in investment and create 55,000 jobs.

No new money will go to tackle disused coal sites in areas hit by high levels of unemployment but the Department of the Environment has committed about £385 inillion over ten years through English Partnerships, the development agency it funds. English Partnerships predicts that

a further £850 million will be provided by the private sector to regenerate areas in the North East, North West, Yorkshire

and the Midlands. English Partnerships has based its predictions for future private investment and job creation for the 56 coalfields on

previous regeneration work. John Gummer, Environment Secretary, said: "I am convinced the benefits for the coalfields' communities will be considerable and that this new agreement ensures the best possible future for the

coalfield sites in the North of England."

Sandy Dodds, of the Coalfields Com-

munities Campaign, welcomed the dev-elopment scheme but said it was long overdue. He said the prospects for jobs were hopeful but compared poorly with the 230,000 jobs lost in mining and related areas since 1985.

English Partnerships said that businesses committing to the development zones are likely to benefit from enterprise zone allowances as well as other development agency incentives. The deal between British Coal and English Partnerships to pass over the land to be regenerated is thought to be the biggest enterprise of its



Recs shares charged up by American bid rumours

tricity companies were highly charged last night by another burst of speculative buying after it emerged that an American company is poised to bid for East Midlands Electricity.

The announcement from Dominion Resources came after the official close of business and was prompted by intense speculation that sent East Midlands up 70p to close at 6072p in heavy turnover. By the close, a total of 3.07 million shares had changed hands in a market where traders will normally make a price in 25,000 at a time.

Word is that the Dominion team has been in town for the past week. Last night Dominion said it would not be making an offer much above East Midlands' closing price. City speculators had already taken the view that

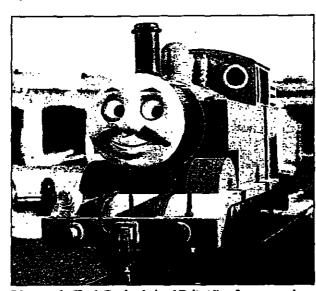
something was afoot and had been talking of an opening salvo of 680p a share, valuing the group at £1.34 billion. Along with Dominion, other names being mentioned as potential bidders were Entergy, of New Orleans, and

Houston Industries.
Northern Electric, which rejected a £766 million offer from CE Electric, ended the session 2p cheaper at 6302 p. But speculative buying among the few remaining independent regional electricity companies (Recs) was good for Southern Electric, up 21 2p at 669p; Yorkshire, 1512p to 754p; and **London**, 12p to 617¹2 p.

The power generators continued to make headway on the back of bullish noises from brokers. PowerGen rose 72p to 541 p, while National Power climbed 152 p to 433p and Scottish Power added 3½ p to 319p.

The rest of the market gave an initial thumbs-up to President Clinton's next four-year term. But any celebrations were cut short by the Bank of England's call for a further interest rate rise, just a week after initiating the first increase for two years. In its latest inflation report, the Bank says action will need to be taken to counter growing

inflationary pressures. The FT-SE 100 index, which had been up 25.4 earlier in the day, moved into negative terrian opening 50-point rise by the Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street. The index eventually closed up 14.6 at



Thomas the Tank Engine helped Britt Allcroft to a premium

3,935.7 in thin trading that saw less than 700 million shares change hands.

The continuing strength of the pound on currency markets was posing problems for earmers. RMC Group lost 25p at E10.462p. ICI 92p at 758p and Blue Circle Industries 72p at

Talk that Racal Electronics

billion order from USAir lifted British Aerospace 13p to E11.47. The deal may also benefit Rolls-Royce, up 6p at 254p, which it is hoped will be

asked to supply the engines. BAT Industries slipped 2p to 415p as HSBC James Capel. the broker, urged clients to switch into Imperial Tobacco, 202 p dearer at 3732 p.

Takeover favourite Pear-

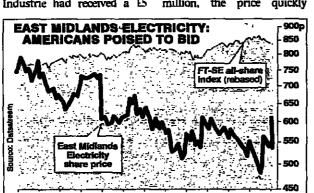
Consumer confidence may be improving but the National Lottery is still making big inroads into the profits of Britain's bingo operators. That's the view of NatWest Securities, the broker, which has downgraded its 1996 pre-tax profit forecast for First Leisure by £2.5 million to £40 million. First Leisure fell 12p to 348 2p.

may have lost out to BT in a El billion telecoms defence contract left its shares 9p off at 266 p. BT ran into further profit-taking on the back of its MCI acquisition, with the price slipping 32p to 3662p.

EMI Group fell 62p to E11.96 after learning of a 53 per cent fall in profits at Sony's music division.

Confirmation that Airbus Industrie had received a E5 son, publisher of the Financial Times, fell 42p to 7202p after Capel downgraded its recommendation from a "buy"

Britt Allcroft, owner of the rights to the Thomas the Tank Engine books, opened at a useful premium when the shares made their public debut. Floated at 130p and valuing the company at £30 million, the price quickly



tling at 1592p, a premium of 29¹2 p. Evidence of a slowdown in

growth left Electrocomponents 52p cheaper at 4172p. The group managed to raise profits in the first six months almost 16 per cent to £48.3 million, but brokers said there was likely to be a further slowdown in the second half. Most estimates for the full year range between £112 million and El14 million.

Benson Group responded to the news that David Rhead, chairman, had picked up an extra 50,000 shares at 44p. It raises his total stake to 200,000 shares, or less than I per cent. The price closed 62p dearer at 465 p.

Brooke Industrial Holdings, the precision engineer, was a nervous market, falling 7½p to 122½p. The group is due to go ex-rights this weekend on its one-for-one rights issue at 125p. The £4.3 million being raised will be used to acquire APW and invest in further plant.

Yorkshire Food plunged 14p to 28½ p after it gave warning of hefty losses by it US operations. The fall was compounded by the news that the group does not intend to pay a dividend.

GILT-EDGED: Shorterdated issues came under selling pressure after the surprise call by the Bank of England for another hike in interest rates. The strength of the pound is also worrying the market. Bond prices in London underperformed overseas markers, although the emergence of a few cheap buyers enabled prices to close

In the futures pit, the De-cember series of the long gilt finished a couple of ticks better at E10936 after briefly touching £1082532. A total of 112,000 contracts had been completed by the close of business. There was a further flattening of the yield curve as Treasury 8 per cent 2015 rose three ticks to El01932, while in shorts, Treasury 8 per cent 2000 eased £732 □ NEW YORK: Shares ral-

above their worst of the day.

lied as investors cheered the hoped that the combination of President Clinton in The Oval Office and the Republicans in control of Capitol Hill would ensure happy days ahead. At midday the Dow Jones industrial average stood at 6,133.36, up 52.18 points.

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solution for its UK downstream business with a three-way joint venture. The long wait is no particular fault of Elf; currently; this is a terrible business to be in. No one is making any money from making gasoline in Europe. and in the UK alone there is a five million tonne surplus from which retailers, including the supermarket groups, can draw supplies.

savings from shunting their assets into the new company, but the £50 million mentioned yesterday will not go far between three companies. However, those are just the immediate benefits of collapsing two plants into one facility at Milford Haven and

removing duplicate administrations. More interesting is the wider impact of the

on competitors. The shutdown of produc-at Guif's refinery might take out some two million tonnes of gasoline production, not nearly enough to remove the surplus but an improvement nonetheless. The question is whether Shell still remains under pressure to close its Shell Haven facility on the Thames estuary. That operation had a useful retail customer in South-East England in the form of BP. But earlier this year BP chose to throw in its lot with Mobil in a European joint Elf. Gulf and Murco will make immediate venture and Mobil also has a refinery on the Thames estuary. Bigger questions face small-er players, such as Texaco and Conoco who may now be feeling the pressure to become bigger. The new venture will have an impressive 8 per cent of the market. In the circumstances, no one wants to be left without a partner when the music stops.

partners

Redland

REDIAND has finally secured the tax clearance that was holding up the merger of its own roof tile business with that of Braas, the 50.76. per cent subsidiary that dommates the German roofing industry. This is a good move for Rediand as Braas is a much more profitable, business having retained control over distribution that Redland has surrendered The £220 million payment that Braas is making will also save tax for RBB, as the enlarged business will be

known. But none of this makes the outlook better for the German housing industry. An interest rate cut in August prompted a rally in those UK building stocks that depend on Germany. This looks misguided. Quite apart from

the much lower level of

East this summer, but that home ownership in Germany, many borrowers there are locked into longterm fixed-rate loans. Any spur to new housebuilding vould have been miniscule. Potentially more damaging is the reduction in tax breaks available on new

housing in the former East Germany. This brought for ward a surge of activity in the

benefit is coming to an end. Some commentators expect building activity in the East to fall very sharply indeed. This does not damage the long-term logic in creating the world's largest roofing group. But Rediand's shares could face some difficult

months. The same is true of RMC and Blue Circle.



Cobham

A WARNING about secondhalf profits ealier this month completely overshadowed news of a pending helicopter deal. The share price dropped 6 per cent at the time but the market now seems to have decided the reaction was excessive.

That, at least, is one logical explanation for the 9p rise in the share price yesterday after confirmation of the £500 million Ministry of Defence order, which will be divided between Cobham and its two joint venture paragrified The problem highlighted at the half year — a slowdown at Westwind, its recently acurred electronics subsidia - seems to have been put in

still has admirers, who point to its management strength and its seeming ability to win the bulk of the major training and equipment contracts it goes for. Forecasts for the full

to around the £42-£43 million mark after the Westwind blip, but analysts expect £50 million for the following year. That puts its current price — 581.5p against 667.5 at the start of the month - at around 15 or 16 times earnings. Even at a 13 per cent premium to the market, the bulls believe it can go further still. There are quite a few buyers out there.

Luminar LONDON may now wear the international crown of fashion, but Luminar, the disco and restaurants group. is making its millions by avoiding the capital and

revitalising the local hops. The company's Chicago Rock Cafés are not dissimilar to Rank's Hard Rock Cafes packed with Jimi Hendrix memorabilia and other sacred relics of rock music. But while Rank boasts that its cafes are among the most fam-

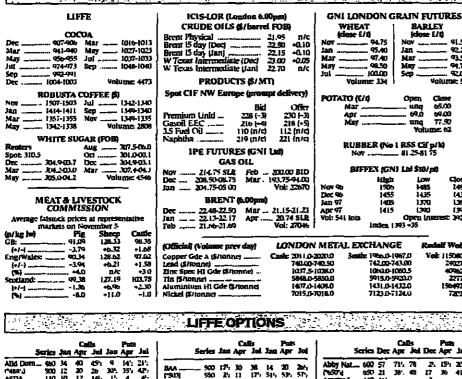
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proud to boast that it is big from Bury St Edmunds to King's Lynn.

The wannabees of Britain's cathedral towns, normally forgotten by captains of themed exteries who think the world ends at Watford. are rewarding Luminar's in-vestment handsomely. A Chicago Rock Cafe, which costs £600,000 to open, usually brings in more than £250,000 a year in profit.

By laying on dancing as well as food and drinks, Luminar is specialising in an area of youth culture where the educative hierary fear to tread. Chicago Rock Cafés are proving handy one stop shops, where evenings can melt into nights with no change of venue. Once established in small towns, they will not easily be pushed off their paich.

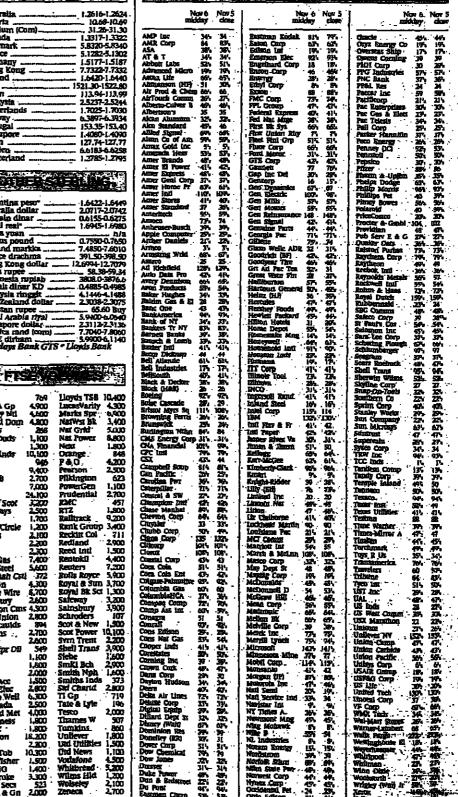
·Luminar shares have had a good run, but the company is still in its infancy. They



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BUSINESS LETTERS

BA-AA planned alliance flies the flag for even more competition

used at Heathrow. Yours faithfully. ROBERT AYLING, Speedbird House,

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just be qualified to judge.

As things stand, I'd rather

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From Mr Barry Hyman record profits. They promise

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for everyone From Mr Terry Slater

strategic fit between transat on an equal competitive foot-ing with AT&T. And there is no better example of MCI's buccaneering spirit than that.

several deals with Microsoft. Its most widely watched move, however, was to agree in April last year to spend \$2 billion on a 13.5 per cent stake in the News Corporation, parent

company of The Times. But none of MCI's new departures boosted the share price. Part of the problem was probably that, taken together, the new investments did not add up to a coherent strategy that made sense to the stock market. They were specula-

tive, unproven ventures. Many US analysts therefore regard the need to boost MCI's share price as the main reason for the enthusiasm of Bert Roberts, chairman and chief executive, to do a deal with

someone big. "MCI was looking to improve shareholder value," said Mr van Dussen. "I struggle to understand the strategic value of linking with BT. Had there been no existing relationship with BT, I' not convinced it would have been on MCI's list

In other words, what is being presented as a perfect lantic partners may in fact be little more than a marriage of concerned. With BT offering to pay a 40 per cent premium to MCI shareholders, the company has unquestionably given its investors a handsome boost in the value of their shares. If BT is willing to spend the money in the US, MCI will at last have put itself

From the Chief Executive The British Airways alliof British Airways Sir, David Coltman, the viceance has for the last four and a half months been subject to president of United Airlines examination by the British competition authorities. While Mr Column is free responsible for marketing, wants the "wings clipped" off British Airways' prowith his advice to the President of the Board of Trade posed alliance with Ameri-

can Airlines (business about the action which he feature, October 30). His should take, he omitted to concern may be related to mention that the Unithe fact that the alliance will ted/Lufthansa alliance reresult in more competition ceived no scrutiny at all from the German competitio for his company. British Airways needs such an alliauthorities. ance to provide the same kind of integrated service across a worldwide network as existing alliances already offer. The largest of these networks is the one operated by United Airlines' alliance

vian Airlines. Thai International and others. Far from reducing competition, the addition of one more such network linking the key cities of Europe with those of the United State ocan only intensify it. This is particularly so in the case of the British Airways alliance, which the Government has said provides a basis for the full liberalisation of the market between the UK and the United States, which will

with Lufthansa, Scandina-

Mr Columan's argument that BA has a higher share of available slots at Heathrow than Lufthansa has at Frankfurt is entirely specounts the slots available at Frankfurt in the middle of the night, when no-one wants to fly: the tighter noise restrictions at Heathrow rightly make the use of such slots for British Airways out facts of the matter are that Lufthansa and its allies have 63 per cent of the useful slots at Frankfurt, whereas British Airways and American have 42 per cent of the slots

bring in many more airlines Heathrow Airport.

So-called City experts a poor judge of M&S

Sir, Marks & Spencer turn in, as ever, record sales and to create more jobs, they give their shareholders an increased dividend. Their shares, however, are marked down 16 pence by City "experts" because figures were not up to City expec-

as proof of their commercial genius than take notice of a bunch of myopies, buying and selling for short-term gain and with no vision beyond next week's quick Yours faithfully

BARRY HYMAN, 4 Priory View. Bushev Heath. Hertfordshire.

Sir, I couldn't agree more with Mr Denis Harvey-Kelly (Business Letters October 22) when he writes "anyone who makes money for the shareholders should be properly rewarded". We the workers make that money only to see the fat cats get the cream, i.e. 50 per cent wage increase, share options, bonuses, enhanced pensions, etc. We have to settle for 3 per cent maximum. I agree with his suggestion that executives land workers) should not exceed the dividend to shareholders. That would be fair for all. Yours faithfully TERRY SLATER 68 Moorfield

Unfriendly Tartan tax

From Mr R. Gordon Sir. Threat to Business from New Labour. G. Hoon, MP, (Oct 15 Business Letters) would have us believe that "New Labour" is friendly to business. I am trying to reconcile this with the extra costs which will be suffered by British companies with operations in Scotland where their employees will demand compensation for having to pay a ridiculous, unnecessary and discriminatory Tartan tax. Without compensation. employees will not accept a Scottish posting. Surveys in Scotland show that business totally rejects this "New Lab-Yours faithfully, R. GORDON.

Concert party than MCI? Richard Thomson explains why the transatlantic Internet traffic and has done partners may have already got their wires crossed panies, such as MCI, AT&T dozen new entrants to the long-distance market, MCI and Sprint, to invade each adopted a brash and racey style under William market, some of which are other's markets. The response bound to fail. was almost immediate, throw-

Sharefiolder value was a priority for Bert Roberts, chairman and chief executive of MCI, in striking a deal with BT, according to analysts

Will BT bring more to the

This is the base incerning motto of Gerald Taylor, and MCL. With the president of MCL With such a philosophy, it is typical of this upstart telecoms company to have vaulted in one bound from being a very distant second in the US market to one of the world leaders through its \$20 billion deal with British Telecom.

It is also a world away from the staid, conservative philosophy of BT and raises the question of how well the two managements will fit together. Already, the deal is being seen in different ways either side of the Atlantic. In Britain, it is BT's big play to dominate the international telecoms market. In the US, however, it is regarded as MCI's chance to use the deep pockets of a wealthy new owner to protect its position in the evermore competitive US domestic market. If MCI has its way in the new partnership, large chunks of BT's capital will be used for that purpose rather than to

lain Vallance envisages.

There is no doubt that MCI needs extra capital. Earlier this year, the US Government agreed to deregulate the tightly controlled US felecoms market by allowing the local phone companies — the Baby Bells and the long-distance coming the US market into a

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ferment ocompetition. Plans for mergers between Baby Bells surfaced within weeks. Nynex and Bell Atlantic agreed a deal in the East, while SBC and PacTel got together in the West. The aim was partly defensive and partly to gather strength for an assault on the lucrative longdistance market Bob Wilks, telecoms analyst at Brown Brothers Harriman,

says: "All US carriers need to

keep moving ahead simply as a defensive move." MCI is no exception. But the problem for the long-distance operators is that entry into the local market is extremely expensive. Putting lines into individual houses involves an investment forge the global grant that Sir of billions of dollars; to afford this, MCI needed a partner. Its attempt to build a local network, called MCI Metro, has so far not been a great success. It has spent nearly \$2 billion on it and gets a return of about \$100 million. Moreover, the

competition is intense. In some

MCI talked mergers with several US groups that might have given it an immediate. and cheaper, entry into the local market. In the end, it could not resist the pull of BT's 20 per cent stake, though that will mean that MCI will have to build its local phone business expensively from scratch. How to fund that? A clue is that BT's \$9 billion a year cashflow is about three times as big as MCI's.

Bryan van Dussen, director of telecoms research at the Yankee Group in Boston, says: "Although BT has wanted a way into the US for years, it really seemed to want to spend its capital on building business in the Pacific Rim."

MCI was founded in the late 1960s as Microwave Communications Inc providing radio links for truckers on the roads between Chicago and St Louis. The company enjoyed explosive growth in the 1980s after the break-up of the old AT&T phone monopoly. Encouraged by industry regulators as a much-needed competitor to AT&T in the

McGowan, its founder. By 1995 the number of employees had mushroomed

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from 1,500 to 52,000 as MCI long-distance US phone market and 40 per cent of the international business. By using flashy promotions and taking big risks, the company established its name as a valuable brand and became the second-largest US longdistance operator. Nevertheless, it remained the underdog: its market value of around \$16 billion before the BT offer was still only a fraction of AT&T's \$55 billion.

or nearly 20 years, MCI was seen as an aggressive growth couple of years, however, its share price stalled below \$30. Desoite continuing growth, the stock market seemed to have decided that its main business was maturing and that the opportunities of balanced by the dangers. It has gained a large slice of

In search of balance as CBI weighs up the politicians

Gordon Malcolm Michael Portillo and John Redwood are among the senior politicians who will join Britain's principal business leaders at their annual convention in Harrogate next week.

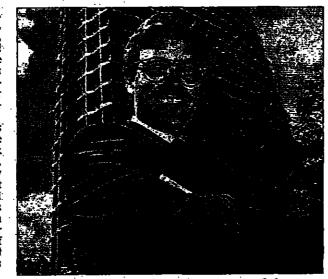
While leading industrialists will meet politicians, Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, and John Monks. TUC General Secretary, they hope that politics will not dominate the proceedings. "I hope there will be some parts where we can get away from pure politics," said Adair Turner, Director-General of the CBI. "Business is interested in the non-political issues, as well as the political ones."

Finding a distinction between the two, though, may be difficult. From EMU to corporate governance, from competitiveness to the superhighway, from employee relations to the economy, every issue is at once central to business and politics: what the CBI conference this year has to do is find a balance between the two sides.

Last year, when the CBI met in Birmingham, the conference was dominated by Tony Blair. the Labour leader, whose address so stirred his political opponents that Ian Lang, the president of the Board of Trade, was forced to remind business to support its natural and traditional allies in the

Conscryative Party. This year, some business leaders are surprised that Mr. Blair's move has not been answered by an appearance at the conference by the Frame Minister, CBI leaders, who point out that John Major addressed their annual dinner in May, invited him, but their diaries clashed. They insist that his non-appearance does nor signify any judgment about his

electoral prospects. CBI leaders see a full range CBI leaders see a full range problems," says Mr Turner. of issues facing business regardless of the election out is not far off saying do noth-



Adair Turner intends to reflect a range of views

come, as Adair Turner makes clear today in a pre-conference interview with The Times. For many companies - espe-

cially exporters - the most pressing point is sterling: the sharp appreciation of the pound which is threatening to make many British manufacturers uncompetitive. Currency appreciation is an unusual problem for British industry to have to wrestle with, and no one in business is wholly sure what is likely to happen. But concern is growing.

CBI leaders emphasise the importance of getting the Budget right - a Budget which will minimise the need for further interest rate rises, which would then feed through into exchange rates. Manufacturing is already markedly underper-forming much of the rest of the economy, and CBI leaders see the danger of a return to the late 80s pattern of strong consumer growth and weaker manufacturing - a boom that will inevitably turn to bust. "It's important that no changes are made which create

ing." That means no, or very few, tax cuts — a call which business leaders believe is right economically, but accept is unlikely politically.

But if sterling, the state of manufacturing and export competitiveness are the most pressing immediate issue for many firms, the most difficult is likely to be Europe especially economic and monetary union (EMU). On Sunday. the CBI will publish the results of a poll of its members' views on EMU — and the results are likely to be almost as mixed as when the CBI carried out a similar exercise a year ago.

dair Turner thinks that even if Britain does say no — and like many, he thinks that at least the economic arguments on EMU are very finely balanced - then the tone in which it did so would be important "If we stay out, understanding why others are going ahead, wishing them well with going ahead, and at least with the possibility that we may come in later, then I think it's quite possible that we can stay out for quite a period of time without any severe damage to access to the single

increasingly affecting business as the general election moves closer, then business leaders are increasingly unafraid to enter the political arena on issues which they judge to be

vital to Britain economically. In doing that, they are mea-suring the political parties against each other - and the performance of the range of political leaders heading for Harrogate over the next few days will be central to that. Leaving aside what their own personal political preferences might be, many business leaders don't see that much of a difference between the Conservatives and Labour on core economic policies.

But there are still areas of what Adair Turner calls "product differentiation" which will be on show in Harrogate, especially on Labour's side. with its commitment to signing the European social chapter, and to introducing a minimum wage - neither of which business wants to see.

Product differentiation will be markedly on display on Tuesday, the second day of the conference, when the European Court is widely expected to reject the UK Government's appeal against the legality of the EU's 48-hour working time directive, which will prompt Conservative ministers to make anti-European attacks, and their Labour shadows to make pro-European calls for the UK to adopt proper mini-

mum standards at work. In all this, the CBI will strive to maintain its declared policy political neutrality, which some ministers and business leaders see as too insupportive fore too pro-Labour. Adair Turner doesn't accept that. There is a range of views in the business community. It's not homogenous. It's our job to represent that. And that's what

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Rescuers Sought

THREE possible backers met last night to rescue the eight-month-old London Financial News, the City trade magazine. Chris Anderson, the multimillionaire founder of Future Publishing who threw about £600,000 into

its launch, says he will match any forthcoming funding as long the magazine improves its sales and marketing. Clive Wolman: founder and editor, turned to his university chum for help, to raise a further £750,000 to save the publication; he said next Monday's issue might not be printed unless one of the

unnamed backers stens in. And shed a tear for Anthony Julius, divorce lawyer to Diana, Princess of Wales. He is said to have lost the £30,000 that

Just the ticket

SPORT and the City go together like Ken and Eddie. So in true Budget spirit, the City Diary is running a competition for three pairs of tickets, with all hospitality trimmings as guests of the match sponsor, to the internationals at Twickenham: Send your answers to the following questions, and the winners will be drawn from a hat on November 12: Which investment house sponsors the rugby internationals at Twickenham? And who is the new

England rugby captain? Technical term

LUMINAR is keen to give out the message that its nightclubs aren't seedy haunts. As the owner of the Chicago Rock Case discos, the company claims that its clubs are a drug-free zone; Luminar is every policeman's best friend. At the mention of those burly blokes that loiter outside the throbbing venues, Stephen interrupts: "We don't have bouncers - we have ballroom technicians." Engineering degrees are not



Two talented

TWO ambitions employees from Rentokil plan to take the pop charts by Alan Watkins, both sales executives from UK Property Care South-East in Brighton, wowed the audience at Rentokil's UK Sales and Management Conference talent contest. Now, the feisty duo are preparing to record their first rock'n'roll album, which is to be called Brighton Rock, and a video of their favourite songs. They have signed them-selves up with an entertainment agency, and, with their act polished into a well-rehearsed 45minute routine, the couple tell me that they are in big demand .

PETER BIRCH, Abbey National's 58-year-old chief executive, is planning a descent from the top of the bank's head office in Milton Keynes. To raise money for the charity Children in Need, Birch says he will abseil down the side of the fivestorey building at the end of this month. A competitive type, Birch usually spends his free time on board a bike or clocking

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Electrocomponents expands in face of sluggish markets

By Fraser Nelson

ELECTROCOMPONENTS is to double its operations in both France and Italy despite sluggish markets in both countries. The distributor. which expanded from its UK base three years ago, said that it was aiming to dominate the market in continental Europe and was prepared to accept that exposure to struggling markets would not optimise

Bob Lawson, chief executive, said that the company had no plans to alter its expansion strategy, adding: We have not been discouraged one little bit. We can't beat the economy, but we can still strengthen our market position overseas. When the demand picks up, we want to have our sales operations firmly in place."

In the six months to September 30, the company shrugged off the worst of the European downturn to lift its pre-tax profits to E48.3 million, from £41.9 million. Earnings rose to 7.6p a share, from 6.6p. The interim dividend is increased to 2.4p a share, from 2p. payable on January 20.

The results were helped by the expansion of the group's catalogue, which now offers 72,100 products, an increase of 9,200 since last March. Demand for the CD-Rom version of the catalogue was also

Sales in continental Europe by 23 per cent, to £56.5 million. Mr Lawson said that by offering next-day delivery, price was often a secondary This, he said, had allowed the company to avoid the worst of the downturn in markets.

However, growth in the UK slowed, with sales only 12 per cent ahead. Mr Lawson said that the domestic market had

would have seen the British markets recover by autumn. There have been no signs of this happening so far, but I am hoping to see things pick up after the new year."

Analysts too had hoped for an earlier recovery in the UK, and marked down forecasts its, from £113 million to £111.5 million. Shares Electrocomponents lost 62p

yesterday, closing at 418½ p.

Meanwhile, the group anits distributor in Hong Kong as part of its plans to expand in the Far East. It has already bought out its distributor in Singapore.

delivery products is fragmented, the company said, adding that it welcomed the extra competition provided by Premier Farnell, a rival still building up its operations in



Stephen Thomas, left, Luminar chief executive, and Michael Arnold, chairman, after announcing results yesterday

Luminar on the mark with profits

prospectus forecast yesterday with pre-tax profits 30 per cent ahead at £1.58 million (Fraser Neison writes). The results gave more evidence of a recovery in consumer spending, as demand for its

Chicago Rock Cafés allowed the com-pany to added five more outlets, taking its portfolio to 12. It plans to open eight more before the end of the year. Luminar converted two of its night-

clubs into themed Cuban-style venues, called Rhythm Rooms. Three more will

Earnings were 7.5p (6.8p). A maiden interim dividend of 2.33p will be paid on January 17. The shares eased 1p to 35112 p.

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Daewoo in drive for Thomson

DAEWOO Electronics of South Korea yesterday began a charm campaign in France with newspaper advertisements after fierce criticism of its plans to buy Thomson Multimedia, the loss-making

state-owned company.

Using the slogan "Do you know the dwarf Daewoo?, the 34th biggest world company", the group sought to counter growing resentment in France that a South Korean minnow was set to buy a famous French company for a symbolic Frl.

France's Privatisation Commission will say next month whether it agrees with a gov-ernment plan to sell Thomson, the defence and consumer electronics group, to Lagardère Groupe for Fri after an Frll billion capital injection. In turn, Lagardère will sell Thomson Multimedia, a maker of televisions and video recorders and a leader in digital

video technology, to Daewoo. In full-page advertisements in most French newspapers, Daewoo said that its electronics arm had similar sales to Thomson Multimedia, at Fr40 unlike the French company.

Energy rules hit users, MPs told

By CHRISTINE BUCKLEY INDUSTRIAL

SOME electricity customers are being dealt a double blow by the regulator because there is insufficient competition in generation and because trans-mission costs are passed on to those living furthest from power production, MPs were told yesterday.

Gale Klappa, chief executive of Sweb, the American-owned southwest England regional company, told the Commons Trade and Industry Committee that he had lobbied the regulator for modification of plans to pass transmission charges to customers living far

from generation centres. Mr Klappa went on to condemn the state of generation competition to the committee, which is investigating the performance of energy regulators. He said that in spite of protests from the two main generators - National Power and PowerGen - that they were losing market share

they nevertheless con-trolled price setting. Earlier, Ed Wallis, PowerGen chairman, had told the MPs that his company had lost substantial market share and that he could foresee a time, given enough players with criti-cal mass, when regulation in generation would not be needed. Generators are already free from price regu-Klappa said that for cusfree market in domestic electricity in 1998, much more needed to be done to generation. He said: "The costs of generation accounts for 52 per cent of their bills. We have got to have a more effective system for competition in generation and have got to find a way for the two large

He told MPs that National Power and PowerGen set the pool price -- electricity's selling price—77 per cent of the time in the six months to

Mr Klappa said that the South West was forced to ing generation capacity to meet more than 15 per cent

Higher bid by CSX ends Conrail peace

FROM RICHARD THOMSON IN NEW YORK

the all-cash offer of Norfolk. to continue their joint efforts CSX's new offer is worth to railroad Conrail shareholdabout \$93 for each Conrall ers into accepting a proposal share, compared with \$100 significantly inferior to Noroffered by Norfolk.
Conrail, which has al-

ready accepted the CSX time."

offer, said that a merger with The CSX was a superior strategic combination than a link with to emerge in the past 12 Norfolk. A merger between, months in America, where the Norfolk. A merger between CSX and Conrail would create one of the largest trans-port companies in the world.

CSX has raised its bid for the weekend have collapsed. Conrail, the largest railway company in the northeast of America, signalling the breakdown of peace talks with rival bidder Norfolk company was insisting on

being the initial buyer. CSX has increased its cash and paper offer to about \$8.4 billion, which is still below David Goode, Norfolk's chairman, said: "It is clear that CSX and Conrail intend folk Southern's. Any discus-

> The takeover bid battle is the third major railways deal

ate one of the largest transport companies in the world.

The revised offer from CSX means that talks between the two bidders over the largest transport companies in the world.

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BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND

NOTICE is given today, 7 November 1996, under the European Parliamentary
Elections Act 1978 (as amended) that the Boundary Commission for England here provisionally determined to recommend that England should be divided into the seveny-one European Parliamentary Constituencies (EPCs) listed below. The addresses where the proposals (the content, mame and electorate of each EPC, together with a map) can be inspected are also listed.

REPRESENTATIONS about the Commission's provisional recommendations may be made until 7 December 1996. Those who make representations are requested to say whether they approve of, or object so, the Commission's proposals and to give their reasons for approval or objection. In particular, objectus are advised to say what they counter-propose in place of the Commission's recommendations as this is likely to carry more weight than a simple seatement of objection. All representations should be addressed to The Boundary Commission for England, Room 719, St Catherines House, 10 Kingsway, London, WC2B 6JP

Provisionally recommended European Parliamentary Constituencies (1996 electorates in brackets)

1. Northumbria (511,342) Berwick-upon-Tweed; Blyth Valley, Hegham; Newcastle upon Tyne Central; Newcastle upon Tyne North; North Tyneside; Tyneside;

2. Combrin and Laucashke North (532,543) Barrow and Furness; Carlisle; Copeland; Lancaster and Wyre: Morecambe and Lonesdale; Pennih and The Border, nortand and Lousdale; Workington.

 Tyne and Wear (521,498) Cateshead East and Washington West; Houghton and Washington East; Jamow, Newcastle upon Tyne East and Wallsend; South Shields; Sunderland North; Sunderland South; Tyne Bridge.

4 Durham (534,843) Bishop Auckland; Blaydon; Cay of Durham; Darlington; Easington; North Dorban; North West Durban; Sedgefield

5. Cleveland and Richmond (480,442) Hardepool; Middlesbrough; Middlesbrough South and East Cleveland; Redear, Richmond (Yorks); Spekson North; Stockton

 North Yorkshire (505,202) City of York; Harrogate and Knaresborough; Ryedale; Scarborough and Whitby, Selby, Skipton and Ripon; Vale of York.

7. Rust Yorkshire and North Lincolnshire (538,596) Beverley and Holdeness: Brigg and Goole; East Yorkshire: Habemprice and Howden; Kingston upon Hull East, Kingston upon Hull North; Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle; Scuethorpe. 8. Lancashire Central (501,623) Bornley; Blackgool North and Fleetwood; Blackpool South; Fylde; Pendle; Preston; Ribble Valley.

9. Lancathire South (503,896) Blackburn; Bury North; Chorley; Hyndrom; Rossendele and Darwen; South Ribble, West Lancash

16. Yorkshire West (494,338) Bradford North; Bradford South; Bradford West; Cakier Valley, Halifax, Keighley, Shipley. 11. Leeds (539,850) Elmer, Leeds Central; Leeds East, Leeds North East; Leeds

North West; Leeds West; Modey and Rothwell; Pudsey.

12. Merneyside West (537,876) Bootle; Crosby: Liverpool, Ganston; Liverpool, Riverside; Liverpool, Walton; Liverpool, Wavestree; Liverpool, West Derby,

13. Merseyside East and Wigan (484,676) Knowsley North and Sefton East; Knowsley South; Leight; Makerfield: St Helens North; St Helens South; Wigan. 14. Cheshire West and Warral (519,621) Birlicohead; City of Chester, Crewe and Nantwich; Eddisbury; Ellesmere Port and Neston; Wallasey; Wirral South; Wirral

15. Greater Manchester West (534,422) Bolton North East; Bolton South East; Bohon West; Bury South; Eccles; Selford; Streeford and Urnston; Worsley. 16. Greater Manchester East (496,188) Ashton under Lyne; Denton and Reddish: Heywood and Middleson: Oldbass East and Saddleworth: Oldbass West and Royson; Rochdale; Stalybridge and Hyde.

17. Greater Manchester Central (529,187) Cheadle: Hazel Groye; Manchester. Blackley, Manchester Central; Manchester, Goston, Manchester, Withington; Stockport: Wythenshawe and Sale East.

18. Cheshire East (485,470) Altrincham and Sale West; Halton; Macclesfield; Tation; Warrington North; Warrington South; Weaver Vale.

19. Yorkshire South West (534,911) Bulley and Spen; Coine Valley; Dewsbury; Hemsworth: Hoddersfield: Normation; Postefract and Castleford; Wakefield. 20. Yorkshire South (524,858) Banusley Central; Banusley East and Mexicotopic; Doncaster Central, Doncester North; Don Valley, Rother Valley, Rotherham;

21. Shetfield (469,666) Barasley West and Penistone; Sheffield, Attercliffe; Sheffield, Brightside; Sheffield Central; Sheffield, Hallant; Sheffield, Heeley; Sheffield, Hillshorough.

22. Peak District (587,560) Amber Valley, Ashfreid; Broznowe, Errwash; High Peak; Suffordabire Mondands; West Derbyshire.

23. Natificationables Nucle and Chesterfield (494,276) Bassetlaw, Bolsover. Chesterfield; Mansfeld; Newalt, North East Desbyshine, Sherwood.

Grimsby, Lincoln, Louth and Honocastle, Steafond and North Hyterbaux, South Holland and The Deepings.

25. Staffordshire West and Congleton (536,862) Congleton; Newcoole-under-Lyme; South Staffordshire; Stafford; Stoke-on-Trent Central; Stoke-on-Trent North: Stoke-on-Treat Street, Stone.

26. Staffareldhire East and Durby (585,714) Burton; Camock Chase; Derby North; Derby South; Lichfield; South Derbyshue, Tanaworth.

27. Nottingham and Leicestershire North West (556,867) Beswerth; Geoling: ough; North West Leicstershire; Noningham East; Noningham North; segham South: Rasincliffe.

28. Leicester (470.335) Charmwood, Grantisan and Stansford; Harborough; Leicester East: Lescester South; Lescester West; Rushard and Melton.

29. Cambridgeshire (585,367) Cambridge, Henningdom, North East Cambridgeshire; North West Cambridgeshire; Peterborough; South Cambridgeshire; South East Cambridgeshire

30. Northille (519,847) Great Yannsonde; Mid Nortolk; North Nortolk; North West Norioth; Nerwich North; Norwich South; South Norfolk.

31. Herefordshire and Shropshire (535,527) Hereford; Leominster, Ludiow, North shire; Shrewsbury and Archem; Telford; The Wrekin; Wyre Forest.

32. Riemingham West (542,806) Alchidge Brownhills, Birmingham, Entington: on, Perry Barr, Sumo Coldfield, Waisali Morte, Walsall South, West wich East, West Bromwich West.

33. Missiands West (518,834) Dudley North; Dudley South; Halesowen and Rowley Regis; Stourbodge, Warley; Wolverhampton North East; Wolverhampton South East; oenhampton South West.

34. Birmingham East (515,865) Birmingham, Edgheston, Birmingham, Hall Green; Birmingham, Hodge Hill: Birmingham, Ladywood; Birmingham, Northfield; Birmingham, Selly Osk; Birmingham, Sparkbrook and Small Heath; Birmingham, 35. Coventry and North Warwickshire (SZ7, Z28) Coventry North East; Coventry

North West, Covering South; Meniden; North Warwickshire; Numerion; Solitail. 36. Northamptouthire and Risby (\$23,669) Blaby; Corby, Davenary, Kettering, Northampton North; Northampton South: Wellingborough.

37. Saffolk and South West Nortalk (518,362) Bury St Edmands; Central Suffolk and North Inswich; Inswich; South West Norfolk; Suffolk Chastal; Waveney; West

38. Worcestershire and South Warwickshire (505,548) Brunsgrove, Mid Worcestentiare, Redditch; Rugby and Kenilworth; Strafford-on-Avon; Warwick and

39. Bedfordsbire and Milton Keynes (542,257) Bedford Lunn North; Lunn South: Mid Bedfordshire, Milion Keynes South West, North East Bedfordshire, North East Million Reviews: South West Bediforthing.

48. Essex North and Setfinik South (591,625) Braintner, Chichester, Herwich; Maldon and East Chelmsford; North Essex, South Suffolk, West Chelmsfind 41. Glovestershire (490,745) Chekesham; Cotswold; Forest of Dean; Glovester, Streed; Tewkesbury, West Worcestershire.

42. Backinghaushire and Orderdshire East (\$80,418) Aylesbury, Banbury, Beaconsheki, Backingham: Chestum and Amersham; Henley: Wycombe. 43. Her Burdshire (486,445) Hemel Hempsteat, Hertsmere, Hitchin and Harpenden; Sreth West Herdonfshire: St Albans: Watford; Welwyn Harfield.

44. Essex West and Hernfordshire East (550,921) Received and Ongar, Burchounte: Epping Forest; Hartow; Hersford and Stortford; North East Hartfordsburg, Saffann Walden, Stevenson.

4S. Essex South (499,811) Basildon; Billericay; Castle Point; Rayleight; Rochford and Southern's East, Southern's West, Thinrock.

46. Bristol (\$25,114) Bristol East, Bristol North West, Bustol South, Bristol West, Kingswood Northmen Woodspring 47. Willeshire North and Bath (597,624) Bath; Devizer, North Swindon; North

Willshire: South Swindow, Wansdyke, Westhery. 48. Hampelibre North and Oxford (518,391) Basingstole; Newbury, North West Hampher, Orford East, Oxford West and Abington; Wanage; Winey.

49, Thurses Valley (494,596) Bearinest, Mandenhead; Reading Best, Reading West, Windson Slough, Wolkingham. 53, Survey (588,896) Esher and Walton; Guildford; Mole Valley, Religion;

Russymede and Weybeidge, Surgey Heath; Williams. 51. Kent West (547,739) Ciratium and Aylesford; Danford; Gillingham, Gaweilson; Medicay. Maidstore and The Weslet, Scienceles, Tonbridge and Melling. 52. New East (557,577) Ashiod: Canachury; Dover, Faversham and Mid Kent. Following and Hose, North Thinter, Stringbourne and Shoppey; South Thunes.

53. Somerset and North Devon (516,999) Budgwater, North Devon; Somerton and Frome: Thomas: Wells: Weston-Super-Mare: Yeavil.

54 Heben, Test and Avon (582,394) Christchnech; New Forest Fast, New Forest West; Rousey: Sallabury; Southampson, Itchen; Southampson, Test. 55. Washt and Hampshire South (522,490) Eastleigh; Farsham; Gosport; Havant; Isle of Wight: Portsmouth North; Portsmouth South.

56. South Downs West (517,760) Aldershot; Bognor Regis and Littlehampton; Chichester, East Hampshire; North East Hampshire; South West Surrey; Winchester. 57. Sames: West (493,530) Arundel and South Downs, Crawley, East Worthing and Shorehene, Bousham; Howe, Mid Sussex; Worthing West,

St. East Source and Kent South (547,892) Bertaill and Battle: Brighton Kemotowit, Brighton, Pavilion, Eastbourne; Hastings and Rye; Lewes, Tumbridge

39. Comment and West Physicath (521,237) Palmouth and Cambonic, North Courvell: Plymouth, Devouport; Plymouth, Sutton; South East Comwall; St Ives; Timo and St Austell.

60. Devour and East Physicoulii (525,787) Exeter; South West Devou; Teignbridge; Tiverion and Houlton, Torbay; Tomidge and West Devou; Tomes. 61. Dursel and East Devon (535,368) Bournemouth East; Bournemouth West; East Devas; Mid Dorset and North Poole; North Dorset; Poole; South Dorset; West

62. Leaden North West (498,994) Brent East; Brent North; Brent South; Harrow East; Harrow West; Hayes and Harlington; Russlip-Northwood; Uxbridge. 43. Lundon North (560,612) Chapping Barrer, Educator: Enfield North; Enfield, Southwater, Functiley and Goldens Green; Hendon; Homsey and Wood Green;

64. London East (498,626) Barking; Dagenham; Fast Ham; Hoznchurch; Ilford North; Iford South; Romford; Upminster.

65. London South East (540,318) Beckenhaur, Berleyheath and Crayford; and Chislehurst; Etham; Brith and Thamesmead; Greenwich and Woolwich; Old Bexley and Sideup; Orpington.

66. London South Inner (506,491) Camberwell and Peckham; Dulwich and West Norwood; Lewisham, Deputord; Lewisham East; Lewisham West; North Southwark and Bermondsev: Streatham: Vanzhali.

67.Lendon South West (473,384) Battersen; Kingston and Surbaton; Mitchem and Morden; Putney; Richmond Park; Tooting; Wimbledon.

68. London West (526,173) Bremford and Isleworth; Ealing, Acton and Shepherd's Bush; Baling North; Baling, Southall; Feltham and Heston; Spelthorne; Twickenham. 69. London Central (533,888) Cities of London and Westminster, Hampstead and Highester, Hammersmith and Pulham; Helborn and St Pencras; Islington North; Islington South and Finsbury, Kensington and Chelsea; Regent's Park and Kensington North

70. London North East (512,408) Bethnel Green and Bow; Chingford and Woodford Green; Hackney North and Stoke Newington; Hackney South and Shoredisch; Leyton and Wanstead; Poplar and Canning Town; Walthsmistow; West

71. London South and Surrey East (510,056) Carshahon and Wallington; Croydon Central; Croydon North; Croydon South; East Sorrey; Epson; and Ewell; Sutton and

Inspection - a copy of the recommendations, with a map illustrating the proposals. may be inspected at-

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313 Harrow Road, PADDINGTON; Southquie Town Hall, Green Lance, PALMERS GREEN; Pinner Library, Marsh Road, PINNER; Council Offices, Malherry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, POPLAR; Town Hall, Main Road, ROMFORD: Ruislin Area Library, Manor Fann, Bory Street, RUISLIP: Council Offices, 91 The Grove, STRATFORD; Town Hall, Town Hall Approach Road, TOFTENHAM; Civic Centre, 44 York Store, TWICKENHAM; Upminster Library, 26 Corbers Tey Road, LIB-108-DER; Archway Library, Hamlyn House, Highgate Hill, UPPER RELECTION AY; Civic Centre, High Street, UXBRIDGE; Town Hall, Forest Road.

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Bections Office, 150 Great Charles Street, Queensway, BIRANNGHAM; Enlington

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WEST YORKSHIRE

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Hollies, MIDSOMER NORTON; Council Offices, Castle Street, THORNBURY;

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Council Offices, The Limes, 12 Dunstable Street, AMPTHILL; Town Hall, SLPaul's Square, BEDFORD; Council Offices, 23 London Road, BIGGLESWADE; District Offices, High Street North, DUNSTABLE: Stopsley Library, Hitchin Road, LUTON: Town Hall, LUTON.

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CAMBRIDGESHIRK

The Grildhall, Market Square, CAMBRIDGE; The Grange, Nutholt Lane, ELY; Pathfinder House, St Mary's Street, HUNTINGDON; Fenland Hall, County Road. MARCH: Town Hall, Bridge Street, PETERBOROUGH; Parish Council Office, High Street, SAWSTON; Wittering Library, WITTERING.

Council Offices, The Forum, CHESTER; Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, CREWE: Council Offices, 4 Civic Way, ELLESMERE PORT; Council Offices, Toft Road, KNUTSFORD; Town Hall, MACCLESFIELD; Information Centre, i The Arcade, NORTHWICH: Council Offices, Westfields, Middlewich Road, SANDBACH: Town Hall Sankey Street, WARRINGTON: Orford Branch Library. Poplars Avenue, Orford, WARRINGTON; Municipal Buildings, Kingsway WIDNES: Council Offices, Wyvern House, The Drumber, WINSFORD.

CLEVELAND (forther non-metropolitan county) Civic Centre, HARTLEPOOL; Municipal Buildings, MIDDLESBROUGH; Skelton Civic Centre, Consiton Road, SKELTON: Town Hall, Fabian Road, SOUTH BANK; Municipal Buildings, Church Road, STOCKTON-ON-TEES; Norton Branch Library, 87 High Street, Norton, STOCKTON-ON-TEES.

LISKEARD; Council Offices, St.Clare, PENZANCE; Council Offices, Carrick

House, Pydar Street, TRURO; Council Offices, Higher Trenant Road, WADEBRIDGE. CUMBRIA Town Hall, Duke Street, BARROW-IN-FURNESS; Civic Centre. CARLISLE; Council Offices, South Lakeland House, Lowther Street, KENDAL: Town Hall,

Council Offices, Dolecath Avenue, CAMBORNE; Council Offices, Luxstowe House,

PENRITH; The Council Offices, Catherine Street, WHITEHAVEN; Allerdale

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Civic Centre, BARNSTAPLE; Council Offices, Riverbank House, BIDEFORD; Civic Centre, EXETER; Town Hall, IVYBRIDGE; Council Offices, Forde House, Brunel Road, NEWTON ABBOT, Civic Centre, PLYMOUTH; St.Budentx Library. Victoria Road, PLYMOUTH; Council Offices, Knowle, SIDMOUTH; Council Offices, The Great House, 1 St.Peier Street, TTVERTON; Town Hall, TORQUAY; Council Offices, Follaton House, Plymouth Road, TOTNES.

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Council Offices, 43 Galgate, BARNARD CASTLE; Civic Centre, Newcastle Road, CHESTER-LE-STREET; Civic Centre, Medionsley Road, CONSETT; Town Hall, DARLINGTON; Council Offices, Byland Lodge, Hawthorn Terrace, DURHAM; Conneil Offices, Seaside Lane, EASINGTON: Advice & Information Centre, Leisme Centre, Beveridge Arcade, NEWTON AYCLIFFE.

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Go-ahead for Lloyd Thompson

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

LLOYD THOMPSON. the insurance broker, has decided to implement a rolling share repurchase programme and has received authorisation to buy back up to 7.8 million shares, or about 10 per cent of its stock.

The company said the shares may be purchased at a maximum price equal to 105 per cent of the average middle-market quotations for the ten business days before the shares are contracted to be bought.

It added that it did not intend to purchase more than four million shares in the period up to January 1, 1997, when it enters its next close period. The company's shares gained 6p to 174p yesterday. NatWest Securities was named as agent for the rolling buyback pro-

Lloyd Thompson said it had "accumulated significant capital and has material cash balances". It added that the buyback aimed to increase shareholder value for all shareholders and shares would only be acquired at prices that would result in an increase in earnings per share.

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Chelsfield poised to net £25.5m from two deals

CHELSFIELD, the property group headed by Ellion Bernerd, is close to netting £25.5 million from deals relating to a huge urban regeneration programme at Paddington Basin in central London.

The company has agreed a E20 million conditional sale of two acres of its 10-acre site to Frogmore Estates, which will develop new residential accommodation. The deal depends on Frogmore obtaining planning permission for the project.

The remaining sum comes from a deal negotiated with Lonrho relating to access rights to the adjoining London Metropole Hotel, which has planning permission for further development. The ar-rangement was agreed just before Lonrho sold the hotel chain to Stakis last week.

The total sum is net of a five per cent profit share payment made to British Waterways. the freeholder of the Paddington Basin site.

Chelsfield bought the site from Trafalgar House for £3 million in August after forming a joint venture with Godfrey Bradman, former chair-man of Rosehaugh, the failed property company involved in

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Elliott Bernerd has submitted a new site master plan

the Broadgate development in the City of London. The site was earmarked originally for primarily office-based

minutes away from Heathrow when the high-speed rail link opens next April. Mr Bernerd did not rule out

further sales after the Frogmore deal, but said most of the development work would be carried out by the Chelsfield joint venture, possibly in parmership with specialists. He said the company had received a number of approaches from companies interested in the development. with particular interest on the leisure side.

As part of the original deal with Trafalgar House, Chelsfield took on a E2 million ment to British Waterways, which was guaranteed for 19 years, along with the profit share agreement. It has since renegotiated the terms of the

After offsetting the contin-gent guarantee, the joint venture company will have more than £10 million of working

Mr Bernerd said the company was in discussions with adjoining property owners, including Regalian and St Mary's Hospital. No talks are underway with Burford, the property company which owns a nearby office block.

Henderson advances 11% at half time

HENDERSON, the UK fund management company, lifted pre-tax profits 11 per cent to EIO.8 million in the six months

to September 30.
Earnings were 33.91p a share (30.65p). But the interim dividend remains 13.5p a share, as the company strives to lift dividend cover to 1.5 times from l_36 times.

Revenue rose 13 per cent to E37 billion and operating expenses were up 10 per cent at £28.8 billion. Total funds under management and administration rose 7 per cent to £15.5 bill-ion from £14.4 billion at the end of March. Net new business brought in £713 million.

Its biggest portion of man-aged funds, investment trusts. rose 5.7 per cent to £4.67 billion. while the number of clients remained the same.

Total funds under administration leapt 15 per cent to £2.65 billion. Yet pension fund client numbers continued to drop from 110 to 107 - reducing institutional funds under management El0 million to £2.46 billion. Dugald Eadie, group managing director, said the result was satisfactory, showing that businesses were moving according to the manage-

Siemens jumps but warning hits shares

SIEMENS, the German electronics and engineering con-glomerate, achieved a 20 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to DM2.49 billion in the year to September 30. But the company's warning that profits growth would be more modest in the current year upset investors, and shares fell by

almost 9 per cent to a low of DM72.27 in heavy dealings.
The company said: "After two years of healthy expansion and a more than 50 per cent increase in earnings excluding extraordinary gains. Siemens anticipates moderated growth this year. In view of declining earnings, notably in the components segment, as well as restructuring measures in the medical engineering group, net income is not expected to grow in fiscal 1997. Continued buoyancy in demand from abroad more than compensated for stagnating domestic business. Siemens said its worldwide workforce grew to 379,000 at the year end, from 373,000, as the company added more jobs outside Germany than it cut domestically.

Gardner buys Sloman

L GARDNER, the precision engineering company, has bought the rival Sloman Engineering in a cash deal worth up to £2.45 million. The acquisition, Gardner's second this year, is being financed by a £5.3 million two-for-seven rights issue at 175p. Gardner shares rose 11p to a new high of 205½ p yesterday as the company reported its first annual results since floating at 125p last November. Pre-tax profits were £2.53 million in the year to August 31, which Gardner attributed to the strength of the outsourcing sector. Earnings were £5.5m (12.50) a share. A the outsourcing sector. Earnings were 15.6p (12.5p) a share. A 4p final dividend, due on December 18, makes 6p (5.4p).

Rockwell earnings fall

ROCKWELL, the diversified American industrial company. suffered a fall in fourth-quarter earnings to \$97 million from \$189 million in the final quarter of the previous year. The result cut full-year earnings to \$726 million from \$742 million. Earnings per share for the year were \$3.34, down from \$3.42 in 1995. During the year the group, based in California, sold its defence and aeronautical units to Boeing, the aircraft manufacturer for \$3.7 hillion. It also ched Silicon Graphics its manufacturer, for \$3.2 billion. It also shed Silicon Graphics, its offset printing affiliate, to concentrate on automated operations, communications, avionics and automobile components.

Securum sells hotels

SECURUM UK Holdings, a division of the Swedish asset management group, is selling two UK hotels to Alliance Hospitality UK for more than £50 million. A further £20 million is being raised through the sale of Kew Retail Park to Sum Life for £23 million. The two hotels — the Holiday Inn at Victoria, central London, and the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza on the Royal Mile, Edinburgh — were acquired by Securum in 1993 and were converted to the Holiday Inn brand this year. Kew Retail Park, in southwest London, was also acquired in 1993. Its main retail tenant is Furniture Village.

TLG increases stake

THORN LIGHTING GROUP, the lighting products manufacturer, is to take management control of its Hong Kong-based joint venture with Jardine Pacific by paying US\$1.45 million to increase its interest to 70 per cent from 50 per cent. The joint venture will be renamed Thorn Lighting Asian Holdings. Founded in 1988, the venture covers Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines. In return for the reduction in stake, Jardine Pacific will gain a 30 per cent control in TLG's remaining operations in the Asia Pacific region excluding Australasia.

Align-Rite to expand

MORE than 200 jobs are being created in Wales with the £11 million expansion of Align-Rite's manufacturing plant in Bridgend, it was announced yesterday. Align-Rite, a high-technology company based in California, produces photomasks for the semiconductor industry. Wales secured the investment despite competition from other European countries and owes its success partly to LG's decision to establish a semiconductor manufacturing plant in Newport. South Wales's other silicon chip producer. Waferfab, is already a customer of Align-Rite.

Raglan slips to £1m

RAGLAN PROPERTIES suffered a decline in pre-tax profits to £1.02 million from £4.18 million in the half-year to September 30. The shortfall arose from the absence of last year's non-recurring income and a reduction in income from properties now under or held for redevelopment. Earnings fell to 0.44p a share, from 2.34p. Raglan estimates that its net asset value is at least 33.6p a share, the same as at March 31. The company does not pay an interim dividend, but it has promised that the final dividend will be at least maintained at 1.1p a share.

Charles Stanley grows

CHARLES Stanley Group, the stockbroking and investment management company, is doubling the size of its London operation after the introduction of Crest, the electronic settlement system. The company made £1.01 million pre-tax profit for the six months to the end of September after expenditure of £300,000 on the investment programme. In the first half of the previous year profits were a record £1.25 million: Earnings were 6.68p a share (8.65p), adjusted for last year's bonus issue. The interim dividend is up 32 per cent to 0.825p.

Australia's interest cut applauded

FROM RACHEL BRIDGE IN SYDNEY

AUSTRALIA'S financial community breathed a sigh of relief yesterday as the Reserve Bank finally delivered a much awaited half-point cut in interest rates, to 6.5 per cent.

The cut, the second reduction this year, prompted Australia's lending banks to make an immediate similar cut in mortgage rates.

Ron Silberman, director of the Housing Industry Associ-ation, said: "There's a lot of evidence that the economy has virtually stalled. The unemployment rate seems to be stuck at an uncomfortably high level, retail sales are very sluggish. This was needed to try to kick-start the economy."

economist, said: "It was necessary and is very good news." The Australian dollar gained almost half a cent against the US dollar on the news to trade at US\$79.13 and jumped from 89.49 to 90.45 against the Japanese yen. However the Australian stock market, which had already

point to 2,300.6. The Reserve Bank said that the interest rate had been lowered because figures showed that inflation and pay growth were under control. However. some economists said that the cut would not be enough to stimulate the economy.

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Westbury sees rising demand for homes

BY MARTIN BARROW

WESTBURY, the housebuilder based in Cheltenham, said yesterday that demand for new homes is now stronger than at any time this decade. However, the company added that although volumes have improved there is little evidence of sustained house price inflation.

ted a new master plan, drawn up by architects Terry Farrell and Parmers, to Westminster

Council, focusing on residen-

tial, restaurant and leisure

facilities. The site adjoins Pad-

Westbury reported a rise in profits to £9.7 million in the six months to August 31, from £6.5 million previously. The increase reflected a full contribution from Clarke Homes. the housebuilder acquired from BICC for £60.7 million in

Turnover also rose strongly

to £131 million from £89.6 million, and operating profits of £12.2 million compared with £7.98 million previously. Operating margins improved to 9.3 per cent from 8.9 per cent. Geoffrey Maddrell, chair-man, said that although the

house market remains competitive the group had experienced better trading conditions than in recent years. Reservations were about 35 per cent ahead of the comparable period last year. Mr Maddrell said: "We expect to see a continuation of this steady recovery."

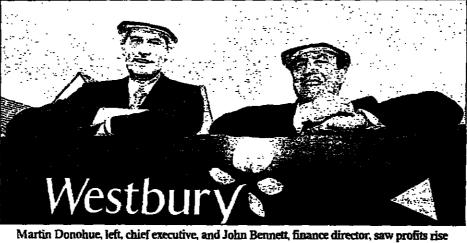
Westbury now operates from 100 sites and sold 1,636

new private houses in the half year, an increase of 28 per cent over the first half of the previous year. Average selling prices improved 12 per cent to £75,600, mainly reflecting a higher proportion of detached homes that were sold during

Net borrowings at the end of August were £46.8 million and gearing was 34 per cent, compared with borrowings of £48 million and gearing of 36 per cent at the end of the previous financial year. The interim dividend is

increased to 2.15p a share from 2p, payable on January 6 from earnings of 7.4p a share (6.3p).

DAVID HOWELLS



More jobless launch own firms

INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BRITAIN's jobless are now the biggest source of new self-employed workers, a new Government-funded research study shows today. The findings of the study suggest that self-employment can be a significant route back into work for unemployed people.

The study, from the Policy Studies institute, says that growing numbers of job seekers are now leaving unemployment to run their own businesses. Selfemployment has grown from 7.3 per cent of the UK workforce when the Conservaemployment tives came to power in 1979 to around 13

per cent now, the PSI report suggests. But the proportion of people becoming self-employed who had previously been out of work has risen from 17 per cent in the 1980s to almost 40 per cent now. Women tend to become part-time self-employed, while men look for full-time self-employed work.

The PSI study, funded by the Department for Education and Employment, says there is little evidence to suggest that

people are being pushed into self-

Alex Bryson, one of the study's authors, says: "Government programmes such as the Business Start-Up Scheme have helped unemployed people make the transition into self-employment. But more needs to be done to identify those who could make a success of selfemployment."

Moving In and Out of Self-Employment, by Alex Bryson and Michael White. PSI, £14.95.

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Green light given for environmental financial reporting

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Pilot environmental accounts

Its purpose is more focused

and based on the premise that

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mance will begin with accu-

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mation about those in whose

hands the wider picture rests.

Robert Langford is Head of

Financial Reporting at the

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expected change in the law.

ess than two months ago the Government published the country's first Pilot environmental accounts, showing emissions to the atmosphere (in 1993) from each industry category. Good stuff for opentoed environmental planners. But less meaningful, except as a general warning, to individ-

What they require is some means of planning for — and managing — the increasing number of environmental constraints, not to mention taxes,

being placed upon them.

Certainly businesses can seek the environmental management standard BS7750, or its European equivalent, the EMAS stamp of approval, for a particular site. But this is a fairly muted way of demonstrating green corporate cre-dentials. What businesses need is some kind of scorecard that

everybody agrees has validity. It might come as a surprise to know that such a scorecard already exists. That scorecard is the annual accounts. Existing financial reporting requirements already require businesses to charge the costs of meeting environmental commitments against profits and to provide for those they know they must meet in the future. They must also write down the value of premises, plant and machinery made obsolete, unusable and unsaleable by anti-

pollution legislation. The figures, until now, have seldom been disclosed separately for a number of reasons. First, it is often not easy to identify the "environmental" element in particular costs. Secondly, total environmental costs may not be material enough in the context of the business as a whole to warrant separate mention. Now the pressure is on for businesses to say more about environmental performance. And they are beginning to do so by making additional voluntary disclo-

sures in their annual reports. Herein lies a danger. While money - may be constant, the scope of information provided outside the constraints of formal audited accounts may not.

Accountants are on the case, both in the UK and overseas. Recent examples include a working document from the EC Accounting Advisory Forum, and the Accounting Standards Board's 1995 discussion paper on provisions, which included a separate section dealing with environmental liabilities.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales has also been working on the issues through its environmental steering group. A first discussion document published last year elicited an array of responses. These have been worked into a revised paper - Environmental issues in financial reporting — pub-lished last week.

This confirms that "treatment of environmental issues in financial reporting is largely an application of the exist-ing framework" and that "accounting standards are generally adequate to enable environmental liabilities to be properly accounted for in financial statements". It also gives encouragement to those who want to say more in accounts about their environmental performance, and suggests how some of the trickier measurement and allocation issues can be handled.

"Management commentary on any material environmental issue affecting, or likely to affect, the enterprise should be regarded as good practice," the paper concludes. It also calls for accounts to include a description of accounting policies directed at dealing with environmental costs and liabilities. The emphasis is on practical and comparable measurement, in financial terms, of known obligations and financially viable "envi-

ronmental investment". For example, a distinction is drawn between environmental expenditure required in the future because of a change in the law that has already been enacted (even if the full effect

Many a true word is spoken in jest

t was Sir Sydney Lipworth, chairman of the Financial Reporting Council, who somewhat unwittingly put his finger on the state of the corporate governance debate as it

He was just starting his speech to last Friday's corporate governance conference organised by the English ICA. He was being jocular in his opening remarks and was pretending to have had some calming advice from the conference chairman just before getting up to speak. "You don't have to worry," he claimed to have been told, they don't expect very much from you." It was a joke. But it does, on the basis of his words and those of Sir Ronnie Hampel, the chairman of the current committee on corpo-

It is obvious that both Sir Sydney and Sir Rounie are there not to push through the required corporate governance reforms, but to provide the proverbial safe pair of hands. They are there to give the positions dignity and gravitas. They are there as a holding operation, to act as a discreet brake on what the corporate sector perceived as the breakneck pace of reform under their predecessors.

the nation's boardrooms that they had seen Sir Adrian Cadbury and Sir Ron Dearing as dangerous and irresponsible radicals.

Both did excellent work, one in the creation of the Cadbury Code and the report that gave it substance, the other in the creation of the Financial Reporting Council and his encouragement of it to take a good robust leadership stance in changing views within the financial reporting

community.

At present, as last week's conference showed, we are drifting back to the old days, when governance was a matter for company directors and

An angry Mark Sheldon, one time senior partner of Linklaters & Paines, and an original member of the Cadbury committee, made his

feelings plain.

He agreed that there had been a definite need for reform when the Cadbury Committee had been set up. It had been there to curb unacceptable boardroom behaviour inthe wake of corporate catastrophes. Now that the catas-trophes had subsided there was less obvious public need for action. But that didn't

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simply meant that we were in a different stage of the business cycle. "In the pursuit of profits, people do forget," he

Sir Ronnie's job seems to be to ensure that people do forget. At the conference he promised to have a draft report out by the middle of 1997, to follow it with a period of consultation and to produce a final report on the state of corporate governance and how the Cadbury reforms were doing by the end of 1997.

some feedback, will know just how heavily the foot is on the brake Most of the areas for . liscussion and specific points relate to the concerns which

triggered the original Cadbury report.
"In what terms should auditors review directors' internal control statements, and to whom should they report on them? for example. That question was done to death with extraordinary thoroughness during the Cadbury procompany directors didn't like the conclusions drawn and So here it is back again, being produced a bir before some

The same is true of many other areas the Hampel letter sees as "relevant". The language used at the conference gave away much. of the agenda. There was much talk of encouraging companies to prosper as though that should be a direct objective of corporate gover-

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made more than a year hence.

Sir Ronnie saw the desired which business can prosper

the letter sent out by the and grow". Sir Sydney wanted Hampel committee last to "ensure the sound running month, outlining the areas on of companies". Both senti-which it would like to have ments are obviously exactly ments are obviously exactly what is required. But it is not a direct function of the Cadbury

code to provide that. Prosperity and growth will follow from the performance of a well-run company. But it derives from a myriad of other qualities within the company. Good corporate governance can provide a sound basis for

that, but it does not directly

The point about this attempted linking of prosperity and corporate governance rules is that it allows boardroom reactionaries to feel that a rant about being strangled with red tape or drowning under the weight of disclosure requirements is somehow jusfified. And before long you are back with the lovely old argument that Sir Owen Green used to use, that directors are, by and large, honest and upright souls and that therefore no rules at all are

focus on the advice of Sir Anthony Cleaver at the conference. We should now pay more attention to what the board can actively contribute pliance," he urged.



Robert Langford says businesses need a green scorecard

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Open and shut case for KPMG

AS THE English ICA found when it opened parts of its council meetings to the press, and as the firm of KPMG is finding with its current advertising campaign trumpeting openness. the concept can become a bit of a hostage to fortune. At this week's conference on professional firms' liability, Colin Sharman, KPMG's senior partner, was asked by a partner from Neville Russell the tax cost of incorporating KPMG's audit practice. In a spirit of openness you might have expected a swift "£17 million", or some such reply, but smil-ing broadly, Mr Sharman said: "I am trying to think of a way to give you an indication without giving you the information."

Rise and shine

LONDON'S new Lord Mayor was forced to rise a little earlier yesterday - 3am, rather than 5am. Roger Cork. a senior partner at Moore Stephens, the chartered accountant, was

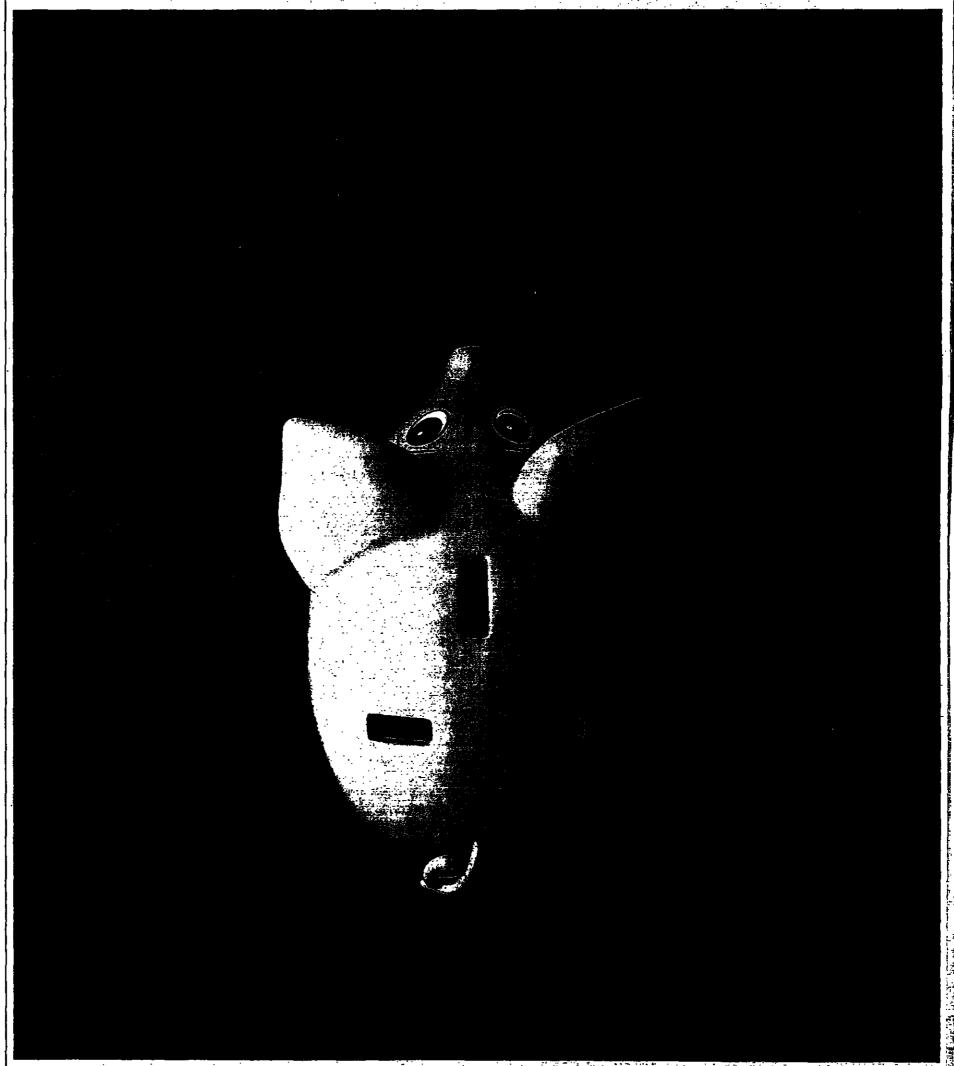
for the Lord Mayor's Show this Saturday. On board the 18th century coach, he travelled through the streets of the Square Mile from Guildhall to Mansion House, and on to St Paul's. For the rehearsal alone, Cork was allowed to swap the historic robes and swords for a raincoat and welcome umbrella.

There's a thought

ONE of the most imaginative proposals in the tax world was put forward in this week's lecture. Iain Stitt, one-time partner of Arthur Andersen, put forward his thesis on fighting parochialism in the field of international tax. One measure was that the Board of the Inland Revenue should bow to the pressures of corporate governance and appoint one or more non-executive directors whose role would be to ensure that full consideration is given to the business implications of tax policy proposals". A small queue of applicants is apparently form-

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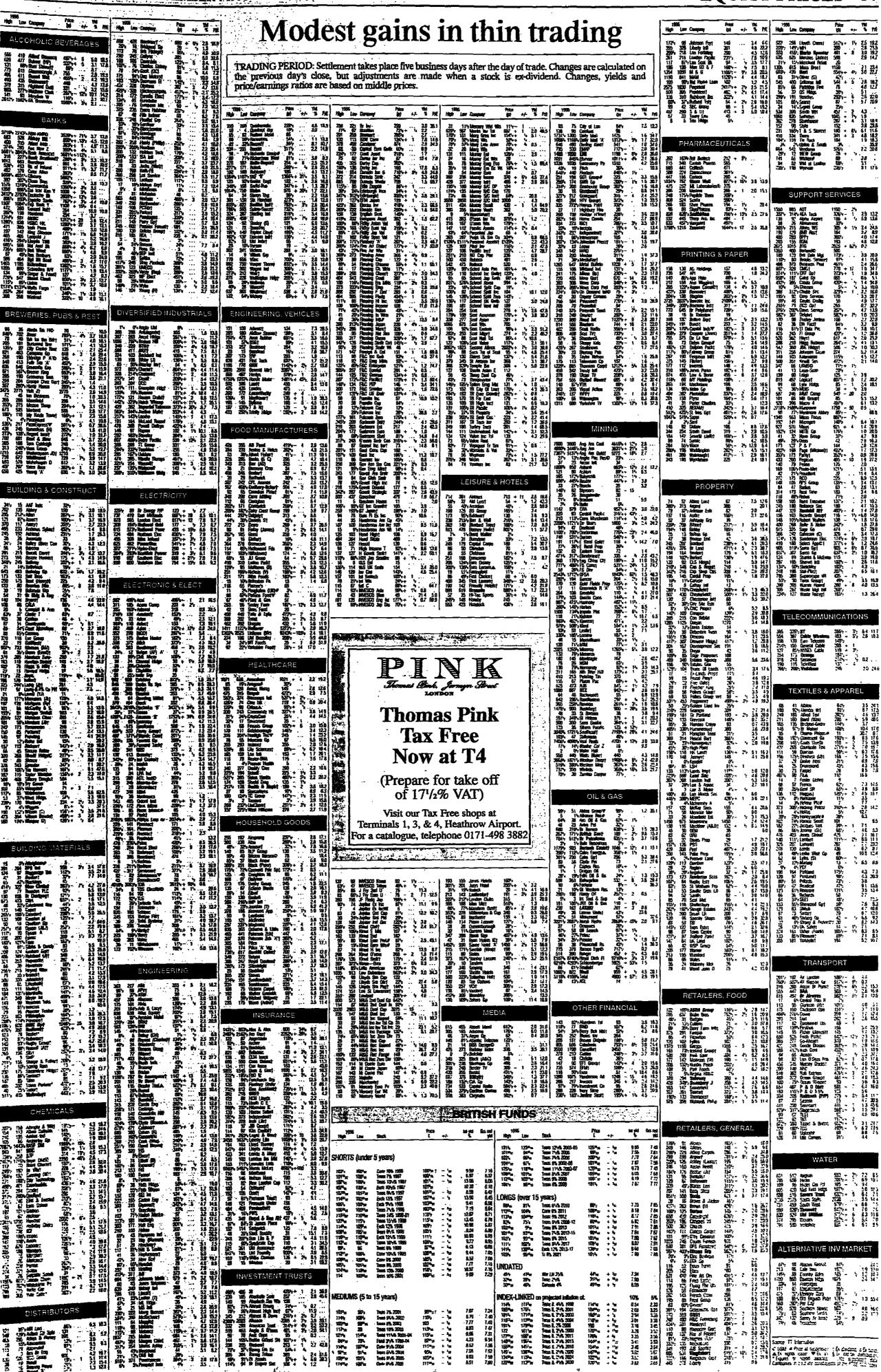
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Bargains of the week — from a midweek break on the slopes of Aviemore to a night at the opera in Vienna

HOLIDAYS -

LONDON breaks for £39.50 a person including two nights half-board accommodation are available at hostels in the City and Docklands from the YHA. Deals also available in Bristol, Cambridge and Manchester. Details: 01727 \$45047.

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■ THE COUNTRY Houses Association still has weekend and midweek breaks available in historic properties in southern England with prices from £30 a person a night, including English break-fast and use of public rooms and the grounds. Details: 0171-836 1624.

MEXICO for a fortnight for £579 with a flight from Gatwick on Tuesday and room-only accommodation is on offer from Page & Moy. Details: 0116-250 7116.

■ EILAT features in several late availability offers from Crusader Travel with flights from London airports next Thursday. Prices start from £289 a person for a week. Details: 0181-744 0474.

■ A BARONIAL castle, sleeping 12, in Rothes, Morayshire, is available for £300 for three nights from November 16 from Country Holidays, Details: 01282 445442.

■ ISTANBUL at £185 a person for four nights with Accommodation Overseas from Gatwick on November 20. The price includes bed and breakfast in a three-star hotel. Details: 0181-977 2984.

■ DRY-SLOPE skiing and roller skating are among facilities on offer at Warmwell Leisure. Dorset, where Blakes Cottages have lodges available from November 23. The price for a lodge sleeping six is £293 a week. Details: 01282 445097.

A NIGHT at the opera in Vienna is

featured in a short break from JMB Travel with a flight from Heathrow on December 6. The price, including two nights' accommodation, is £489 a person. Details: 01905 425628.

THE MALDIVES for a fortnight from £068 a person, including half-board accommodation, is available from Holiday Place with a flight from Gatwick on December 8. Details: 0171-435 8071.

■ WINTER breaks in Malta. lasting from three to six days and costing from £154 a person including flights and B&B accommodation. are on offer from Belleair Holidays. Details: 0181-785 3260.

FINLAND for four nights at £629. Full board hotel accommodation and a chance to see Santa with Cosmos from Gatwick and Manchester on December 5. Details: 0161-480 5799.

EXPLORE Jordan over Christmas with Bales Tours, with a flight from Heathrow on December 23 for a weeklong journey including Amman, the Dead Sea and Petra. Priced from £698 a person with first-class bed and breakfast accommodation. Details: 01306 876881.

SCOTTISH slopes are available to the skier from £270 for a five-day, midweek self-catering break at the Mercury Hotel, Avienore, with Highlife Breaks. The price includes skiing and instruction. Details: 0800 700400.

SNOWLINE Skiing is offering a free ski pass worth £120 with every chalet holiday in January and has availability in the Franco/Swiss ski resort of Portes du Soleil, and Chamonix Valley, for a week from January 4 for £399 a person, including flights and half-board accommodation. Details: 0181-870 4807.

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■ IRISH Ferries is quoting El19 for a 48-hour return on its Holyhead-Dublin route for a car and up to five adults. Valid until December 17. Details: 0345-171717.

■ AN UNLIMITED return ticket (up to December 31) for a car and up to five adults is available on Dover-Calais through Sea France, Day trips cost £5 per car, El per passenger. A five-day return is: E39.50 (E10 supplement on Saturdays). Call Eurodrive: 0181-324 4000.

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SEE the international showjumping at Olympia on Saturday December 21 and stay at the Forte Crest, Heathrow. The package, through Superbreak, includes coach transfer and admission along with one night's accommodation of £79.95 per person. Details: 0161-238 5257.

■ HOTEL reductions are available from Highlife Breaks until December 22, including three nights half-board at the Prince of Wales Hotel in Grasmere in the Lake District for £109 per person com-pared with the usual price of £180. Two nights at the George Hotel in Reswick cost £39 per person instead of £66. Details: 0800 700 400.

■ CONFERENCE organisers booking a meeting (with a total value of £1,000 or more) at any of the 70 Queens Moat House Hotels in the UK in the first three months of next year, will get a £50 leisure voucher for spending within any QMH hotel. Details: 0500 712 713.

A GUIDED visit to the Madeira Wine Company and a bottle of ten-year-old Madeira is included in a three-night package on offer from Reid's Hotel in Madeira. Price is about £470 per person. Details: 0171-805 5059.

■ THE new AA hotel booking service can find discounts of up to 50 per cent on room rates as well as helping AA members to locate accommodation anywhere in Britain at more than 8,000 hotels. Details: 0990 050505.

SEE the Phantom of the Opera and stay at the Radisson Edwardian Grafton Hotel in London for just £49.50 per person. The offer is for Friday nights only

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and seats are in the top balcony at Her Majesty's Theatre. Details: 0800 335588.

A pre-Christmas shopping weekend package at the Chester Grosvenor Hotel, Chester, costs £140 per person. The offer includes a Friday night champagne reception. Details: 01244 324024.

■ THE Sheraton Grand Hotel in Edinburgh has launched a Tarian Teddy Club" for children under 12: this includes a free welcome bag with a bear and a duck for the bath. Weekend room rates cost from £140 per night, with children staying free. Details: 0131-229 9131.

■ A THREE-night Christmas break at L'Horizon Hotel in Jersey costs from £125 per person per night full board, including champagne party and gala dinner. Price for children sharing with parents is £30 extra a night on a B&B basis only. Details:

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THE Mark Hotel in New York has a special Christmas rate of approximately £162 per room per night between December 15 and January 12. The offer includes continental breakfast, a holiday gift and a shuttle to the theatre district at weekends. The hotel has also recently opened a new fitness centre. Reservations are through Leading Hotels of the World. Details: 0800 181 123.

■ CLARIDGE'S in London has a two-night New Year's Eve package at £475 per person based on double occupancy. including full English breakfast, a gala dinner on New Year's Eve and dinner on New Year's Day. VAT and service are included. Details: 0171-629 \$860.

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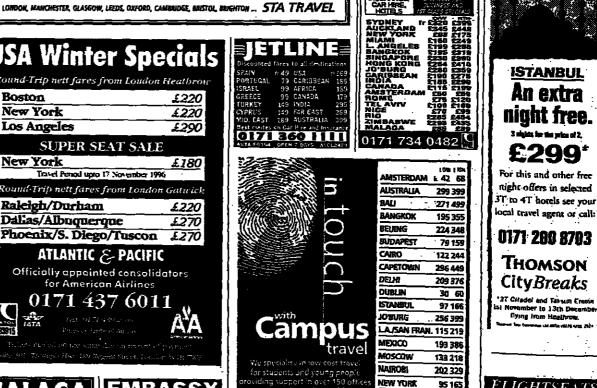




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RUNNING through the As-

istanbul this week was a

distinct, perhaps uneasy, un-

dercurrent that something fundamental was about to

change in the way the British

Labour clearly felt it had to help to influence whatever

changes and decisions were

taken - Jack Cunningham,

the Shadow National Heri-

tage Secretary, and Nigel

Griffiths, the consumer af-

fairs spokesman, were both

ticularly soothing in his re-peated claims that an

incoming Labour government

there to put their case. Dr Cunningham was par-

go on holiday.

sociation of British Travel Agents' annual convention in

Activists scare off visitors to Cape

PROM MICHAEL HAMIYN
IN CAPE TOWN

THE from page headline in Tuesday's Argus shricks: Tourists shun Cape Fear And the story declares that hotels in Cape Town are beginning to feel the effects of the bad press the city and the rest of South Africa have been gening on the subject of crime Capetonians have been

priding themselves that although the figures for tourist arrivals are generally down on last year, their city has been comparatively unaffected.

Cape Town is unquestionably a safer place to visit than the commercial and industrial heartland around Johannesburg. But now the actions of Pagad — people against gang-sterism and drugs, a mainly Muslim protest group - have begun to focus attention on the city's problems, too.

Of course, it is possible to be mugged in daylight in Cape Town, although it is far less likely to happen if you are careful, but Pagad has been drawing attention to the drug dealers, pimps and violent gangs among the Coloured community on the Cape Flats, which are scarcely likely to affect the visiting tourist.

However, many tourists have been caught up in Pagad's often violent demonstrations. At the weekend, Pagad descended on the Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, the city's major new tourist attraction. Hundreds of demonstrators, many with their faces hidden in Palestinianstyle head-dress, blocked roads and had to be dispersed with rubber bullets. One man was killed.

Sydney Mulamadi, the Minister of Safety and Security, said the clashes would have a negative effect on tourism. He was backed by hoteliers and tour officials. The Argus said: "Major hotels report cancellations for the iestive season.

John Knight, deputy man-ager of the Cape Sun Intercon-tinental hotel in the centre of town, said the hotel had definitely suffered. Gordon Oliver, the chief of Captour, the city's tourist organisation. echoed his remarks. They have contributed to the perception that Cape Town is a

ional tourist organisation Satour, said the number of tourists in 1995 grew by 23 per cent overall, and the number of overseas visitors by 50 per cent, South Africa was the 25th must important holiday desti-nation in the world, according to the World Travel Organis-ation. The average growth this year is 5 per cent overall, and 7 to 8 per cent for overseas visitors. Fewer than 2 per cent of visitors were victims of

Britons switch to long-haul holidays

MORE than a million British holidaymakers ignored the overcrowded Mediterranean beaches this summer in favour of more remote corners of the world. The number of short-haul packages fell by 14 per cent, while long-haul trips shot up by 21 per cent. Travel agents and tour operators were told that the demand was continuing to grow along with the price.
While four operators com-

pete fiercely to sell low-cost holidays in the Mediterranean, the price of the most expensive holidays is soaring. British Airways Holidays launched what it called "the most expensive programme ever in which the cheapest holiday is a week at a five-star hotel in Cairo for £529, while the most expensive is almost £5,000 for a week's safari in Kenva in luxury tents.

Roger Heape, managing director of British Airways Holidays, said: "An increasing number of people are upgrading their flights and accommodation; 37 per cent of our customers travelling to the Caribbean and 25 per cent of those travelling to the Indian Ocean are paying extra to travel in Club World."

Mr Heape urged delegates to the ABTA (Association of British Travel Agents) annual convention in Istanbul not to allow unrestricted growth to destroy the best resorts: Because of the success of long-haul holidays this year, there could be a rush to some destinations. But we must not allow unlimited charter access or overcapacity which then trashes the market."

low cost travel to foreign holi-

daymakers, Harvey Elliott

Britannia, the biggest char-

ter carrier, has been forced to

take the German Government

to court for refusing to allow it

to fly German tourists from

Delegates were also told that the share of the summer holiday market sold by the five biggest tour operators -Thomson, Airtours, First Choice, Sunworld and Inspirations — slumped by 5 per cent this year, while the small operators' share rose. The new figures sparked a furious row over who could best satisfy the customer.

David Speakman of Travel Councillors, a computer-based travel agency, claimed that agencies wholly-owned by large tour operators were unethical and advice to customers could be biased. But Tony Bennett, managing director of Going Places, the Airtours agency, said the big operators had enabled more British people than any other nation in Europe to afford a holiday.

Greece and Cyprus lost about a quarter of their British visitors this year, Only Turkey, which attracted nearly 800,000 UK holidaymakers -15 per cent up on the previous vear - showed an increase in short-haul travel. Official figures show that Mexico, the Caribbean and Thailand had

the biggest growth rates.
Winter skiing holidays, which had been steadily declining in popularity, now appear to be regaining their position. The poor snows of the early 1990s persuaded many skiers to seek winter sun rather than snow. But so far this year the market has grown by 17 per cent with Canada and Bulgaria both showing big increases in visi-tors. Only Austria, down 29 per cent, and Switzerland, down 9 per cent, saw a drop.

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But when Britannia signed an

agreement with Gunter Tours

to take 300 German tourists

Cheap flights hit foreign blocks

BRITAIN's charter airlines tinuing row over the proposed are facing growing international alliance between British Airlines lied for an injunction and last during the winter when detailed opposition to their the water airlines are German judge. But future tours. Monarch uses some of



With so many visitors every day London's tourists spots have long suffered from the problems of rubbish disposal

Guide slates 'dirty' London

DAYS AFTER being nominated "the coolest city in the world" by a leading American magazine, London has been dismissed as "less attractive" than European capitals and with "increasing squalor" by a guide published this week in Britain by British researchers.

In a classic example of self-denigration, Britain, The Rough Guide attacks the capital as dirty, traffic-clogged and expensive and also dishes out bitter criticism for other leading tourist towns, including Stratford-upon-Avon and

In deference to overseas acclaim for London, the authors can find some good things to say about the city but always qualify them. "London should be better than it is," they say, "but it is still a thrilling place."

They add that London is "a colossal, frenetic city, perhaps not as immediately attractive as its European counterparts but with so much variety that lack of cash is the only obstacle to a great time".

opérations already agreed are

Air 2000 won a contract to

take groups of Americans

around the world on a \$32,500

luxury trip. The first two

journeys, which lasted 27

days, took place as arranged.

But two flights planned for

early next year could now be at

risk because of an inter-

governmental dispute.

now in doubt.

By TONY DAWE

Stratford is dismissed as an "unremarkable market town, almost throttled to death by Shakespeare-related paraphernalia". Plymouth possesses a "predominantly bland and modern face which belies its great historic role as a naval base".

Cheltenham, where councillors and tourism officials were incensed last week by criticism from a character in The Archers radio serial, is described as "a place you're unlikely to want to linger

The tone of the guide, the latest in a series popular with young, adventurous travellers, is set by its introduction which describes Britain as "a declining country". It adds that the nation "has a less than brilliant climate, a laughable indigenous cuisine and an attitude to social class that is ingrained with the habits of feudalism".

Public transport has "fallen victim to

Conservative economics" and rail travel is in decline because of "a lack of investment and the Government's obsession with privatisation".

A spokesman for the guide defended its "honest approach which readers find refreshing". He added: "When it comes to describing Britain, our writers don't mince their words."
They do find praise for Birmingham's

'resurgent arts scene" and Manchester's brilliant clubs", credit various aspects of Edinburgh and Dundee and, in Wales, enjoy Cardiff, St David's and Aberystwyth.

Despite the criticisms, they conclude that Britain is "a fabulous place to travel" with "a panoply of ancient towns to explore and countryside which yields all manner of delights from walkers' trails around the hills and lakes, through prehistoric stone circles to traditional villages and their pubs". ■ Britain, The Rough Guide, £12.99, distrib-

uted by Penguin.

would not raise taxes. Meanwhile Mr Griffiths, in one of his most effective speeches. waved the big stick of im-pending legislation without ever frightening anyone.

But at least the Labour
Party was there and saying

things which took the debate further. Not so the Government or even a junior Tory MP. Travel and tourism is arguably Britain's biggest industry and an annual holiday is regarded as the single most important purchase consumers can make in a year. Why was no minister there?



While there was much talk and debate about vertical integration - with tour operators owning airlines, cruise ships and travel agencies the biggest such company of all, Thomson, was remarkable by its absence. Does Thomson not care what people think any more? Or does ABTA not care about Thomson? We, the holidaybuying public, care because what Thomson does today. others will copy tomorrow.

My guess is that there will be a continued move towards vertical integration. This will culminate in the creation of three or four giant competing groups. Prices will fall at the bottom end of the mass market and rise at the top, as those wealthy enough to demand the best find that they are able to pay for it.

The Government ~ cially if it is Labour - will introduce all kinds of legislation to control the "cowboys" in the industry. There will be little growth in the foreseeable future in the number of holidays booked on the Internet.

There will be a growing need, as tourists become more demanding, for expert travel advice - but bookings will be made increasingly with only those big enough to be able to offer a discount

Monarch, Air Tours and Caledonian, attempt to rent out World's travel trade

ic red tape.

GOVERNMENT ministers.

More than 4,000 companies will take part in the World Travel Market at London's Earls Court where a central theme this year will be new technology. On-line services, virtual reality, "ticketless travel" and how to use the Internet are all on the agenda.

technology consultancy Genesys, said: Those companies that harness technology are more likely to prosper.

All charter carriers, such as complex inter-government dispute which is nothing to do

its aircraft to carry passengers to cruise ships based in Miami

or to fly American cruise

passengers to Nairobi and the

Seychelles. Like others, they

too are now facing bureaucrat-

"The potential for interna-

tional business in the winter is

enormous," said Bob Parker-

Eaton of Britannia. "But we all

now seem to be caught up in a

leaps into cyberspace

By HARVEY ELLIOTT

travel agents, hoteliers, airlines and tourist boards from 160 countries will next week compete in attempts to convince the British travel industry to recommend their destination to UK tourists.

Paul Richer, of the travel

those that ignore it may be left behind." A total of 45 US states, the

entire Caribbean region and most Latin American countries will be at WTM. The Irish and the Northern Ireland Tourist Boards have a joint stand for the first time at a British event and the Russian pavilion will represent all tourist areas on a united stand for the first time. Africa, too, shows a significant increase, and 95 per cent of Asian

countries are participating.

The Labour Party will use the event — open to trade visitors only from Monday to Thursday — to unveil a new tourism policy to woo more tourists to Britain.

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A monthly column from the security and detection agency

MODERATE RISK

In Brazil this year 20 people have been killed in crossfire during gun fights between rival drug gangs. Police have instituted beach patrols. The government of Chile is preparing for violence between November 8 and 11 during the Ibero-American summit in

Santiago. During the first eight months of 1996 an average of 675 robberies, rapes and murders a day were reported in Mexico City, an increase of 75 per day on last year. Travel in the southeastern provinces of Turkey is discouraged. Since October 25 the PKK has twice sent suicide bombers against police targets. Poor air traffic control in southern Africa makes a mid-air collision "almost inevitable" according to the South African Airline Pilots Association.

HIGH RISK

Israel is on high alert as it anticipates bomb attacks by the Palestinian Islamic Jihad.

EXTREME RISK On November 28 a referen-

dum in Algeria will, if passed, ban political parties based solely on religion and crackdown on Islamic militants.

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Australia on crest of tourist boom BY TONY DAME

TRAVEL and tourism in Auscoalition of more than 80 industry leaders. tralia, voted the most desirable destination by British holidaymakers this week, is set to grow at a startling rate and create an extra 250,000

according to industry leaders. A report by the World Travel and Tourism Council has identified the country as one of the fastest growing tourist centres in the world. but calls on the Australian Government to do more to help the country achieve its potential. It suggests that visas should be waived to encourage

jobs over the next decade,

As the report was published, the Australian Tourist Commission announced a new television advertising cam-paign that will be launched in Britain in the new year, telling holidaymakers "now is the

more visitors.

time to head Down Under". The report said that tourism will boost the Australian economy with the number of jobs involved increasing by 27 per cent in the next decade.

Globally, the industry is likely to generate more than 100 million new jobs over the next ten years with the Asia-Pacific rim the fastest growing travel and tourism region, said Geoffrey Lipman, president of the world council, a

"In Australia, the opportunity exists to create 25,000 new jobs each year. By 2006 travel

and tourism is expected to generate 1.2 million jobs." Mr Lipman warned, however, that certain restrictions needed removing for the boom to continue. "Growth in travel and tourism would be encour-

aged by continued liberalisation of markets for trade, transport and telecommunications and a visa waiver programme should be explored to improve ease of entry. The federal Government also needs to reconsider its funding for promotion. The commission points out

that it has a 520 million advertising contract with DMB&B, the New York-based agency, to promote the country. The commission and Singapore Airlines are spending million on next year's television campaign.

Pia Byrne, a commission executive in London, said: "According to the latest MORI research, Australia continues to be the most desirable destination for British holidaymakers. Of the 350,000 British visitors expected this year. nearly half will be on a return TRAVEL ON

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on a Boeing 767 to the Domini-can Republic and on to Mexico Berlin and Cologne to the Dominican Republic and on to via Manchester, armed police Mexico. And other airlines, at Cologne stopped passengers boarding. Instead Con-dor, a subsidiary of statesuch as Air 2000, are being blocked in their attempts to sign contracts with American owned Lufthansa was told to take the passengers. companies because of the con-Overnight cabin case only (£15.00 off MRRP) The Times in association with Equator Luggage, gives you the opportunity to buy

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Council guarantee beyond powers Recovered sums offset against loss

Sutton London Borough Council v Morgan Grenfell & Co Ltd and Another Before Lord Justice Hirst, Lord

Justice Peter Gibson and Lord Justice Pill

Uudement October 241 A local authority had no power to give a bank guarantee for a loan to an unregistered housing associ-ation, nor was it authorised to

indemnify the association against losses on a housing scheme. Where Parliament had expressly enacted provisions defining the means by which local authorities were to carry out their functions. section III of the Local Government Act 1972 could not be relied on in support of the performance of those functions by other means not expressly empowered by the rele-

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing appeals by the first and second defendants. Morgan Gren-fell & Co Ltd and Weliesley Housing Association, against a decision of Mr Justice Clarke on February 23, 1995 (The Times March 23, 1995; (1995) 93 LGR 554) that a written guarantee dated May 21, 1990 between the plaintiff. Sutton London Borough Council and the first defendant. Morgan dated August 6 1940 between the plaintiff and the second defendant were void and unenforceable against the plaintiff.

Section III of the Local Government Act 1972 provides: , subject to the provisions of this Act and any other enact-

Before Mr Justice Robert Walker

A distribution to a United King-

dom company of a direct share of the profits earned by trading

company to a United Kingdom

silent partnership agreement

could not be characterised as a

payment of dividends for the

purposes of Part XVIII of the

Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 so that double taxation relief

was not available to the UK

Mr Justice Robert Walker so

held in the Chancery Division dismissing an appeal by the tax-

payer company. Memec plc, from

the refusal by a special commis-sioner, Mr T. H. K. Everen, of the

company's claims for the relief

accounting periods to December 1986, 1987 and 1988.

Mr Robert Venables. QC and

MR JUSTICE ROBERT

Mr Robert Grierson for the com-pany: Mr Launcelot Henderson, QC, for the Crown.

WALKER said that the case was concerned both with Part XVIII of

the Income and Cornoration Taxes

from corporation tax for

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Commissioners

[Judgment October 24]

subsidiaries of a German

Act, a local authority shall have power to do anything (whether or not involving the expenditure, borrowing or lending of money or the acquisition or disposal of any property or rights) which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of

any of their functions." Mr Anthony Mann, QC. for the first and second defendants; Miss Elizabeth Appleby, QC, and Mr Timothy Kerr for the local

LORD JUSTICE PETER GIB-SON said the powers of local authorities were limited by statute. Sutton had a duty to house the homeless under section 65 of the Housing Act 1985.

Wellesley, which was not registered as a housing association under section 4 of the Housing Associations Act 1988, had joined with Sutton in 1990 on a scheme to provide temporary housing for homeless families. Wellesley had burrowed £1 mil-

lion from the bank to buy houses in the borough which were leased to Sutton for three years. At the end of that time the houses were to be sold, the profit going to a new housing scheme. Sutton guaranteed the bank against any loss on the sale and indemnified Wellesley against any

losses it might suffer under the scheme. Wellesley's liability was limited to the proceeds of sale of the properties. Sutton's liability under the guarantee was not. Wellesley had defaulted on pay-

between the United Kingdom and

Germany, made on November 26.

1964, and which was scheduled to

the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes)

on Income) (German Federal

Republic Order (\$1 1967 No 25), as

amended by the protocol set out in

the Schedule to the Double Tax-ation Relief (Taxes on Income)

(Federal Republic of Germany) Order (S) 1971 No 874).

In 1985 the UK company entered

into a silent partnership with a

German company. Memec

Profits earned by that commany's

German trading subsidiaries were

company not by way of con-ventional dividend but under the

provisions as to profit-sharing contained in the partnership

partnership formed under the German Commercial Code were

that the silent partner made a capital contribution to a commer-

cial enterprise run by another who

The owner remained the owner

of the husiness assets and the

income from them. The silent

partner had a contractual right to

payment of his share of the annual

profits as shown by the partner-

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The essential points of a silent

hereby passed up to the taxpayer

Memec plc v Inland Revenue Act 1988 and the Convention

had informed the bank and the liquidator in November 1994 that its guarantee and indemnity were invalid and obtained a declaration to that effect in the Commercial

The judge had said the decision to adopt the scheme was reasonably incidental to Sutton's performance of its duty to house the homeless and had assisted Wellesley to buy the houses and was prima facie within section III of the Local Government Act 1972

But Sutton only had power by sections 58 and 60 of the Housing Associations Act 1985 to give such a guarantee if the housing associ-ation was registered, which Wellesley was not. The giving of the indemnity was prohibited by

necessary implication.

Lord Justice Neill in Credit Suisse v Waltham Forest LBC (The Times May 2), 1996), in which his Lordship was also on the bench, had said that where Parliament had made detailed provisions as to how certain statutory functions were to be carried out, there was no scope for implying the existence side the statutory code.

That case could not be distinguished from the instant case, Miss Appleby had put the point in a nutshell, contending that where Parliament had expressly enacted provisions defining the means by which local authorities were to carry out their functions, section III(I) of the 1972 Act could not be relied upon in support of perfor-mance of those functions by other means not expressly empowered by the relevant provisions.

The issue was whether the

company was entitled, whether

under the Convention or otherwise

under domestic law or both, to

credit in respect of the local trade

tax (Gewerbesteuer) suffered by

the subsidiaries on profits which

were paid by them to Memec

GmbH and in whose profits the

company took a share under the

Under the partnership agree-

ment, the company did not receive or become entitled to dividends

paid by the trading subsidiaries

and thus could not achieve the

direct route to treaty relief, by way

of credit for trade fax paid by the

trading subsidiaries, through section 788 of the 1988 Act and article

XVIII(I)(a) and (b) of the Conven-

ion. Account had to be taken of the

interposition of Memec GmhH

But the company argued, alter-

natively, that the relief was available by the less direct route of

going part of the way by treaty relief, under section 788 of the Act

and article XVIII(I) of the Conven-

tion, and the rest of the way by

unilateral relief under section 801

That route required an unusual

meaning to be given to "dividend" in article XVIII and then, in a

further step, to "dividend" in

and the silent partnership.

of the Act.

WIN A HOLIDAY TO

THE MIDDLE EAST

silent parmership agreement.

Double taxation relief not available

When Parliament intended to confer a power on a local authority, or a statutory body with housing functions like the Housing Corporation, to give a guarantee or an indemnity, it did so expressiv.

It was simply inconceivable that Parliament ever intended by section III, which did no more than put in statutory form what would be implicit at common law, to confer on a local authority power to incur a financial obligation to an unlimited extent by granting a guarantee or an indemnity when it had so clearly and in such detail regulated the local authority's powers of expenditure and borrowing and the granting of financial

It was only in cases covered by specific provisions expressly allow-ing guarantees and indemnities that the local authority could do so. If the local authority could not bring the case within such a provision, to grant a guarantee or ndemnity was beyond its powers. His Lordship dismissed the appeal with some regret.

The local authority was now powers to do what it warranted it had the power to do and the innocent bank was left to suffer the consequences. That

Lord Justice Pill agreed and Lord Justice Hirst delivered, a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Norton Rose and Hammond Suddards: Sharpe

section 801, Dividends paid be-

tween related companies: relief for

UK and third country taxes.
"Dividend" in article XVIII was

to be given the same wide meaning

as in the article VIII definition, as

amended by the protocol. Thus it

was to include a distribution of silent partnership profits. The

company succeeded on that issue.

definition of "dividend" in Part XVIII of the 1988 Act. Mr Hender-

son pointed to the definition in section 45 of the Act and to Mr

Esso Petroleum Co Ltd v Ministry

of Defence ([1990] Ch 163, 166): "In

ordinary language today among people having some understand-

ing of business a 'dividend' refers

to a payment out of a part of the

profits for a period in respect of a

share in a company."
"Company" as used in the 1988
Company" as used in the 1988
a parmership. References to dividends in the 1988 Act, other than

Part III dealing with Schedule C

were to the commonest form of

distributions made by companies

and could not include a distribu-

tion of profits made by a silent

had to be dismissed.

Therefore the company's appeal

Solicitors: Finers; Solicitor of

THE SETIMES

However, there was no special

Justice Hobhouse and Lord Justice Judgment October 241

Napier and Ettrick (Lord)

Ltd and Others

and Another

and Another v R. F. Kershaw

Society of Lloyd's v Woodard

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord

Sums recovered by names, memhers of the Society of Lloyd's, from successful litigation against their agents for negligent underwriting fell within the terms of the premiums trust deed to which every name was required to be a party. The recovered sums were thus available to be applied in discharging any outstanding indebtednes in respect of the underwriting losses of the names to Lloyd's.

However, amendments to the trust deed sought to be made by the Council of Lloyd's so as to make all litigation recoveries by names a component of the trust fund were invalid. Such amendments were not within the contemplation of the parties when entering into the deed, its primary purpose having been compliance with section 83 of the Insurance Companies Act 1982.

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments when: I granting an extension of time for bringing an appeal and allowing the appeal by the Society of Lloyd's from Mr Justice Saville who on May 14, 1992, had given judgment for the plaintiffs. Lord Napier and Entrick, representing members of the Outhwaite 1982 Names' Association and Richards Butler, their solicitors who held the sums paid,

2 allowing in part an appeal by Lloyd's from the judgment of Sir Richard Scott. Vice-Chancellor (The Times May 24, 1996) that had been in favour of the defendants. Mr David L Woodard and Mr Anthony F, J. Wilson, names acting in a representative capacity. The Vice-Chancellar's decision in that appeal refusing to declare provisions amending the trust deed valid was upheld, Lord Justice Hobbouse dissenting on

Mr Jules Sher, QC, Mr John

Child and Miss Joanne Wicks for Lloyd's; Mr Nicholas Warren. QC and Mr Paul Newman for Lord Napier and Ettrick, Richards Butler and Mr David Woodard; Mr Richard Slowe, solicitor, for Mr Anthony Wilson.

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE said that the main question was whether the pre-1995 form of premiums trust deed which every name had to enter into pursuant to section 83(2) of the Insurance Companies Act 1982 embraced, in addition to premiums and other receipts of his underwriting business, sums recovered in litigation against his agents for negligent underwriting.

After Mr Justice Saville gave his decision in 1992 Lloyd's had decided, so as to avoid further confrontation with names, not to appeal. But that decision was made at a time when the mag-nitude of the problems which had come to confront Lloyd's by 1996 were not appreciated.

The failure by so many names to meet their liabilities had thrown a totally unexpected burden on the central fund, threatening Lloyd's future solvency.
Early in 1995 the plans for

reconstructing and renewing Lloyd's were well advanced: the names' litigation recoveries had become critical to its completion. Thus Lloyd's applied for an extension of time and the court on July 26, 1996 had made the order and had proceeded with the hearing of the appeal.

Litigation recoveries in respect of negligent underwriting
The question was whether the recoveries fell within clause 2(a)(i)

of the trust deed as being within the definition "All premiums and other moneys whatsoever ... becoming payable to the name in connection with the underwriting business...'

A premium was a receipt of the husiness. So too were recoveries in respect of reinsurance, salvage and the like. It was obvious that receipts of the business were sums payable to a name in connection with it.

But that was not as far as the

go. It must have been intended to have some wider application. A lingation recovery in respect of

negligent underwriting was a sum paid to the name in order to restore him to the position he would have been in if his managing agents had acted competently.

In the obvious example it was a sum which replaced the lost excess of premiums over claims: likewise with an omission to reinsure or to make recoveries in respect of reinsurance or salvage, where it was the lost reinsurance or salvage moneys which were replaced. There seemed to be no a priori

reason for treating the replacement differently from that which it replaced. It was not just a case where the payment had something to do with the business. It was one where there was a real and substantial connection between the two. Clearly the recoveries fell within clause 2(a)(i) of the deed.

Moreover, the court was not constrained by authority to hold to the contrary: neither in Society of Lloyd's v Morris ([1993] 2 Re LR 217) nor in Deeny v Gooda Walker Ltd (No 2) [1995] 1 WLR 426) had the application of clause 2(a)(i) to litigation recoveries been

> Other litigation recoveries The Woodard appeal, but not that of Lord Napier, also concerned other categories of recovery, including those against members' agents in respect of omissions to effect or advise in regard to stop loss insurance or regligence in selecting syndicates on which names were placed.

> It appeared that Society of Lloyd's v Morris practically concluded the question in respect of some of the categories in favour of the names and as present advised it should be so held. But if after consideration of the judgments a decision was still needed and agreement could not be reached, further argument would be

Clause 22 amendments By clause 22 of the trust deed the Council may from time to time revoke and determine the trusts hereby constituted ... vary or amend all or any of them.

The essence of the amendments sought by Lloyd's was the in-troduction of a clause to make all litigation recoveries a component

of the trust fund. in Hole v Garnsey (1930) AC 472. 500) Lord Tomlin had said that a power to amend had to be construed as being "confined to such amendments as can reasonably be considered to have been within the contemplation of the parties when

the contract was made.

The proposed amendments could not reasonably be considered to have been within the contemplation of the parties when the trust deed was entered into.

Its primary purpose having been to comply with section 83(2) of the 1982 Act, it could not have been intended to be capable of embracing assets personal to the name. even those which might be said to have something to do with" his

underwriting activities.
The deed was not intended, even to that limited extent, to be a means of attaching his personal assets as fund for meeting the losses. Section 83(2) contained no requirement that personal asset should be carried to the trust fund. The amendments were invalid.

LORD JUSTICE HOBHOUSE concurred that the litigation recov-eries fell within the terms of the trust deed but dissented on the clause 22 amendments.

He said that the Council of Lloyd's had acted within the scope of the decided cases. The amendments did not lead to unacceptable conclusions. They did not conflict with the essential nature of the transaction or the relationship between the relevant parties.

The amendments were designed to further the fundamental purpose of the deed to assure and assist the discharge of the names' liabilities to those they had undertaken to insure. The challenge to the validity of the amendments should fail.

Lord Justice Pill gave a judg-ment concurring with Lord Justice

Solicitors: Simmons & Simmons: Richards Butler: S. J.

Equitable interests are overreached

State Bank of India v Sood and Others

Before Lord Justice Hirst, Lord Justice Peter Gibson and Lord

[Judgment October 30] Where land was mortgaged by trustees for sale as security but the mortgagees advanced no money to or at the direction of the trustees at the time the mortgage was made, the equitable interests of beneficiaries under the trust for sale were

overreached by the mortgage.

The need to comply with the statutory requirements for the payment of capital money under section 2(1)(ii) of the Law of Property Act 1925 applied only if capital moneys arose at the time of

making the mortgage. The Court of Appeal so held allowing an appeal by the plaintiff, the State Bank of India, from a decision of Judge Willis in Croy-don County Court on April 13, 1995 refusing to strike out parts of the defence of the defendants, Sardul Singh Sood, Baljit Singh Sood, Parmit Singh Sood, Daman Singh Sood, Sardul Singh Sood as personal representative of Raksha Sood deceased. Kamaliit Singh Sood and Renu Sood, to the bank's claim for possession of 19 Landseer Road, Sutton, under a legal charge dated December 13, 1983.

Section 2 of the 1925 Act (I) A conveyance to a purchaser of a legal estate in land shall

overreach any equitable interest or

power affecting that estate. whether or not he has notice thereof, if - . . . (ii) the conveyance is made by trustees for sale and the equitable interest or power is at the date of the conveyance capable of being overreached by such trustees ... and the statutory requirements

respecting the payment of capital money arising under a disposition upon trust for sale are complied with..." Mr Grant Crawford for the bank; Mr Peter Havey for the third and fourth defendants. Mr Andrew A. Williams for the seventh defendant; the remaining defen-

dants did not appear and were not LORD JUSTICE PETER GIB-SON said the appeal raised a question of importance for conveyancers, creditors and for persons with only equitable interests in

registered land. The registered proprietors of the property were the first and second defendants. They had executed a second legal charge on it in favour of the plaintiffs as security for the discharge on demand of all present and future liabilities of them jointly and severally and of Sobel

The bank now claimed that the first and second defendants had failed to satisfy a debt of more than Et million under the legal charge. in the possession proce to seventh defendants

property as their main residence

That allegation was struck out by a deputy district judge on the bank's application but the judge had restored those parts of the defence.

Overreaching was the process whereby existing interests were subordinated to a later interest or estate created pursuant to a trust Under the 1925 property legisla-tion a principal objective was to

simplify conveyancing and the proof of title to land. To that end iitable interests were to be kept off the title to the legal estate and could be overreached on a conveyance to a purchaser who took free

of them. The third to seventh defendants claimed that their beneficial interests in the property which was registered land, coupled with their actual occumation, gave them over riding interests within section 70(1)(g) of the Land Registration Act 1925.

They said their interests were not overreached by the legal charge because no capital money arose under the charge at the time it was made. The bank's case was that there was no statutory requirement that capital money should arise contemporaneously

with the disposition. The crucial issue was the true construction of section 2(1)(ii) of the Law of Property Act 1925, His Lordship analysed the legislative regime and concluded that on its true construction section 2/1)(iii)

only required compliance with the standary requirements respecting the payment of capital money if capital money arose. Accordingly, capital money did not have to arise under the conveyance.

On the execution of the legal charge, the interests of the third to seventh defendants were over-reached and attached the equity of redemption regardless of their actual occupation. Their defence on that point could not succeed and should be struck out.

His Lordship could not pretend that the resulting position in the instant case was entirely satisfactory. The safeguard for beneficiaries under the existing legislation was largely limited to rving two trustees or a trust corporation where capital money

fell to be received. where, as in the instant case, no capital money was received on and contemporaneously with the conveyance. The Law Commis had recommended in Transfer of Land, Overreaching: Beneficiaries in Occupation (1989, Law Comm No 188) that a conveyance should not overreach the interest of a beneficiary in occupation unless he

gave his consent. Lord Justice Pill delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Hirst agreed with both iudements.

Solicitors: Royds Treadwell: Lewis & Dick, Sutton; Dickinson Parker Hill & Son, Ormskirk.

Employees not indemnified by council

Waltham Forest London Council and Borough Another

Before Mr Justice Neuberger

Judgment October 24 A contractual indemnity granted

by a local authority to its employ-ees for defaults committed by them "in or about the pursuit of their duties on behalf of the council while acting within the scope of their authority" did not, as a matter of construction, cover defaults committed by the employees in the course of activities authorised by the council, when

that authorisation was ultra vires. Mr Justice Neuberger so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division on a summons issued by Mr Alan Burgoine and Mr Ronald Cooke against Wal-tham Forest London Borough Council and Mr James McWhirr,

the district auditor. Mr Jeremy McMullen, QC and Mr Gordon Nardell for Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke: Mr Alan Wilkie, QC, for the borough council; Miss Genevra Caws, QC and Miss Helen Mountfield for the district auditor.

MR JUSTICE NEUBERGER said that in March 1988 the borough council resolved that it would indemnify its employees against claims made against them in relation to defaults "committed

pursuit of their duties on behalf of the council while acting within the scope of their authority

That indemnity was incorporated in the contracts of Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke who were assistant chief executive and assistant director of finance of the

In October 1988 the council, purportedly pursuant to its powers under section 19 of the Local visions) Act 1976 to "provide ... such recreational facilities as it thinks fit" set up a company. Waltham Forest Water Park Ltd. to provide a water park for the public. The council nominated Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke as direc tors of the company.

As a result of NWS 6 Ltd v Waltham Forest London Borough Council (unreported, November 17. 1992), Credit Suisse v Allerdale Borough Council (The Times May 20, 1996: [1996] 4 All ER 129] and Credit Suisse v Waltham Forest London Borough Council (The Times May 20, 1996; [1996] 4 All ER 1761 it was clear and agreed between the parties that setting up the company to discharge the section 19 function and causing Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke to be

ited as directors was ultra vires the council and void. The company was now in liquidation and the liquidators had brought proceedings under section

214 of the Insolvency Act 1986 seeking substantial sums from the directors by way of contribution to the company's assets, principally on the grounds of wrongful trading. The directors sought to enforce the indemnity in relation to any

> insolvency proceedings. The council would be happy to accede but was not prepared to do so in light of the attitude of the district auditor appointed by the audit commission pursuant to section 12 of the Local Government Finance Act 1982 to sudit the account of the council.

liability they might incur in the

The district auditor argued that the contractual indemnity did not. as a matter of construction, extend to cover claims made against Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke in their capacity as directors of the com-pany. In his Lordship's judgment the district auditor's contentions

If the council had no capacity to appoint Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke as directors of the company, as a matter of ordinary langu they could not have been said to be pursuing "their duties on behalf of the council" or "acting within the scope of their authority" as council officers when they were carrying out their functions as directors of the company.

If the council lacked the capacity to appoint them as directors of the company, it was hard to see how it'

duties on behalf of the council when they were acting as such

It was also hard to see how they could be said to have been "acting within the scope of their authority as officers of the council when acting as directors of the company if they could have had no such authority from the council.

So far as the reasoning in Allerdale was concerned, his Lordship did not consider that it conflicted with the decision he had

poer construction of the contractual indemnity, a rather different issue from that before the Court of Appeal in Allerdale,

Second, the decision and reasoning in Allerdale would seem to support the proposition that a contract, including a guarantee or indemnity, by a local authority which, as a matter of public law, the local authority had no capacity to make, was unenforceable, as a matter of private law, against the local authority.

Accordingly, on that ground, he would hold that, as a matter of construction, the contractual indemnity did not assist Mr Burgoine and Mr Cooke in connection with the insolvency

Solicitors: Lee Crowder, Burninham; Mr Philip Jackson, Walthamstow, Rowe & Maw.

Privilege waived by membership member of the institute on the

Regina v lastitute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales. Ex parte Taher Nawaz

Before Mr Justice Sedley Judgment October 25 The privilege against self-in-

nation was not restricted to legal proceedings strictly defined. A member of the institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales could not avail himself of the privilege when required to answer questions in disciplinary investigations carried out by the institute as he had waived his right to the privilege by taking up membership.

Mr Justice Sedley so held in the lives and livelihoods of individuals Queen's Bench Division when relusing the application of Taher Nawaz for judicial review by way of certionari to quash the dismissal by the appeals committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales of his appeal against findings made against him by the institute's

disciplinary committee. Mr Philip Engelman for the applicant: Miss Monica Carss-Frisk for the institute:

MR JUSTICE SEDILEY said that the modern state contained a considerable range of bodies and stitutions with powers over the

which were sometimes more drastic than the powers of courts of law. The institute of was a good example if such a body could penalise an individual in an ex-

treme case by taking away his livelihood, for refusing to answer questions which might damn him, the mischief was no different from that of enforcing an answer to such a question in court.

There was no doubt that the privilege against self-incrimination, like any personal privilege. could be waived.

It was also clear that it was prima facie waived by becoming a

terms of its present rules. It was only if public law would not tolerate a rule which demanded self-incrimination that that term of the applicant's

His Lordship did not consider that a rule which might require self-incrimination by a chartered accountant against whom a relevant complaint was already extant

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■ FILM 1 Liam Neeson plays "the Big Fella" in *Michael* Collins, Neil Jordan's epic of

Irish revolution



FILM 2 Lush visual images, sex, complexity: Peter Greenaway is in vintage form in The Pillow Book

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FILM 3 An adult with Down's syndrome brings joy to the life of a harassed businessman in The Eighth Day



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"A film of alluring beauty and astounding invention": Vivien Wu in Peter Greenaway's The Pillow Book

More martyr and more art

as the martyred hero of Irish republicanism and a founding father of guerrilla warfare, no film about Michael Collins could slip out unnoticed. Least of all could this happen to a film bankrolled by Warner Bros. directed by Neil Jordan and pushed at the world market.

In Michael Collins Liam Neeson bestrides the screen as the man known as "the Big Fella", striding down Dublin streets, charisma unfurled, coat-tails flying. In the shad-ows is Julia Roberts. Hollywood's pretty woman. available whenever the hero needs a break from strategy. eathering intelligence shooting the British in their homes. The action alone transfixes the eye: gunfire, explosions, an armoured car invading a football stadium, strafing the crowd. No matter what your allegiance, or the current state of Anglo-Irish relations, this is a film that demands you take notice.

But what kind of notice? Although Jordan's script never seriously deforms the facts as it tracks Collins's progress from the Easter uprising of 1916 to his death in an ambush six years later, the film never spends much time explaining the political issues to a general audience. After the briefest of opening screeds backtracking through Irish history. Jordan hits us with shells and crumbling masonry, as the fledgeling army of the Irish Republic is shot down by the British in 1916. So it goes on, with as much exemplary physical action as an old-fashioned Hollywood adventure, superbly shot by cameraman Chris Menges, and cut to the quick.

Not that Neeson's Collins exactly fits the pigeonhole of an idealised adventure hero. He is allowed to be ruthless as he plots assassinations: he is allowed to be naive. But by making such a point of the man's dynamism, the hurtling Collins's lover Kitty Kiernan,

□ MICHAEL COLLINS Danielle Young, 20: This romanticised Hollywood epic

is worryingly misleading. Lisa Knight, 19: Excellent: the

violence is abundant, but ac-

Jessica Craig. 20: The film

creates its force through

slaughter, never from an un-

abortive attempt at an Irish

curate and unglamorised.

Every week, young film fans discuss the latest releases . . .

CINEMA: Geoff Brown admires an all-action Michael Collins with hidden depths, and a Greenaway

epic with rather more obvious ones

frustrated ambitions. Irish

physical action, the tit-for-tat

Irish forces, Jordan gives am-

munition to those eager for

any sign of bias. Clearer heads

should appreciate the film for

its imperfect but heartfelt portraval of a man and a move-

ment lifted by passion, but brought low by terrorism. The Pillow Book is another

film impossible to ignore. The

director is Peter Greenaway,

and he means us to roll to our

sleeves and work. Images of

various sizes are overlaid on

the screen, recalling — and surpassing — the high-tech jungle of *Prospero's Books*.

Each picture is meaty enough

even when viewed singly: na-ked bodies covered with callig-

raphy; a jet plane flying low across a Hong Kong street; a

fashion show; evocations of

the Pillow Book of Sei

Shonagon, the l0th-century text that inspired Greenaway.

are never going to make headway. We are not so much

watching a film as wading

through the world's most baf-fling CD-Rom. But be patient.

Over time, a plot rises; and we

follow the life of fashion model

Nagiko (Vivien Wu), daughter

of a calligrapher whose birth-day habit of painting a greet-ing on her face inspires a

typical Greenaway obsession. She insists her lovers express

hour degenerates into nasti-ness with style.

Bill: Obsessive and repetitious

to the point of tedium. Worth

watching only for the uninten-

tionally hilarious screenplay.

At first it looks as though we

rocities of the British and

Michael Collins Warner West End 15, 132 mins

Action ousts politics in Neil Jordan's epic The Pillow Book Lumiere, 18, 130 mins Astounding images from

Peter Greenaway The Eighth Day Curzon West End PG, 117 mins

Disappointing successor to Toto the Hero The Craft Warner West End 15, 101 mins

Witchcraft hits high school Fled Plaza, 18, 128 mins

Brainless action fodder Farewell My Lovely ABC Panton Street PG, 95 mins Vintage thrills with Philip Marlowe

speed of his walk and talk, the film certainly paints Collins in worshipful colours. His opposite number is Alan Rickman's Eamon de Valera, the nationalists' leader, dry and deliberate even when he escapes from iail dressed as a woman. For all Neeson's gusto, Rickman is the one you watch in their joint scenes; Stephen Rea is equally power-ful as the police informer in the bowels of Dublin Castle.

'Worryingly misleading'

ener Na tan i she serves a plot purpose early on, then gets in the way by still appearing when she does not

Roberts's continued pres-ence points up the film's history is too complex, and for many audiences too remote, to be streamlined into a Holly-wood action epic, and by putting so much stress on the

> trom an overdose ii Eighth Day. Dormael's first film, Toto the Hero, was an ebullient, absurdist comedy about youth, old age and life's disappointments. This one plods through a slender story about a businessman (Daniel Auteuil), who is put in touch with his inner child by an

shallow and sentimental.

ollywood has little to offer this week.

capsizes into routine horror.

Fled is even more of a

their devotion by writing on her body. Sex and text: the two become fused. Then an Eng-lish translator in Hong Kong (the ubiquitous Ewan McGregor) suggests turning the tables: she writes on them. Further extensions of the plot concern a publisher, a faked suicide, and 13 erotic books written all over 13 men.

Greenaway will never be the most humane of directors. People for him pale in importance beside words, images and intellectual games. But give him his due he has created a film of alluring beauty and astounding invention that pushes the boundaries of narrative cinema.

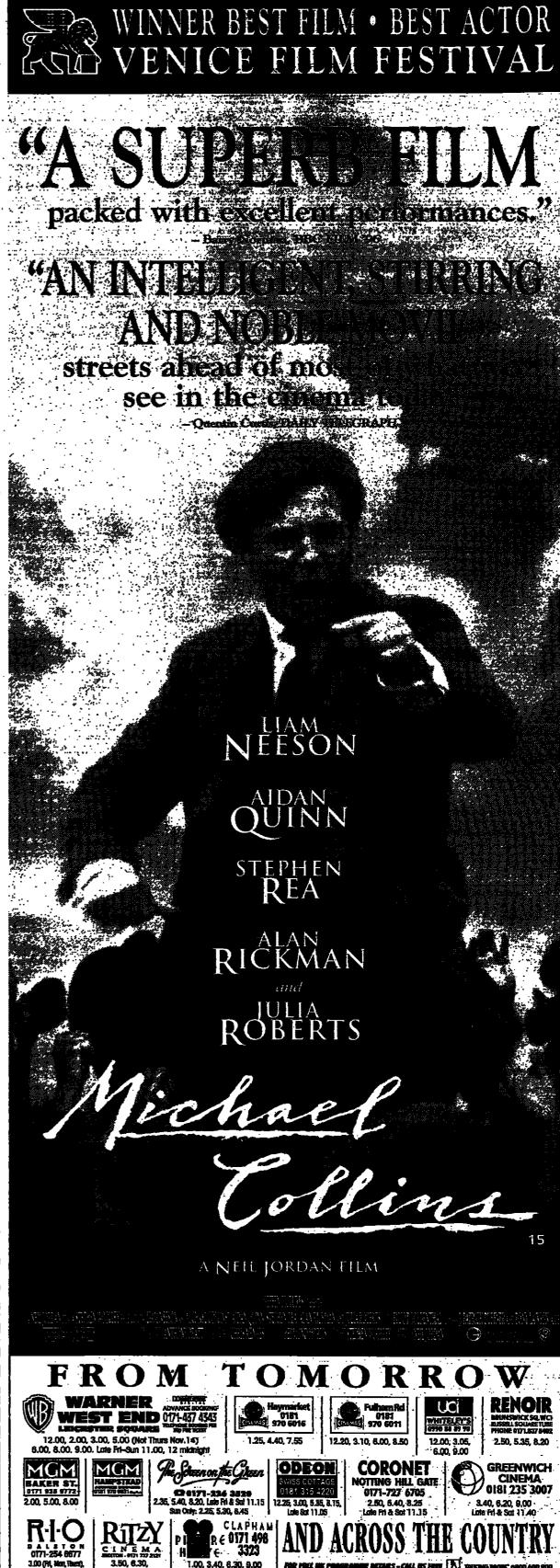
Jaco van Dormael suffers adult with Down's syndrome.

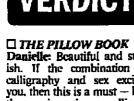
Pascal Duquenne brims over with natural charm as the Down's sufferer who sticks to Auteuil like glue; and Dormael creates some dazzling flights of fantasy, bring-ing magic into everyday life. But once the ornaments are scraped off, you are still left staring at a banal story that grows ever more simpering,

although The Craft deserves a modest welcome for adding a wrinkle to the high school movie genre, and showcasing lively young actresses such as Fairuza Balk and Robin Tunney. The wrinkle is witchcraft, practised by four social misfits at a Los Angeles school. Director and co-writer Andrew Fleming treats their vengeful pranks with jaunty black humour. Then, sadly, the film

factory product: a compendium of chases, fights and movie rip-offs, loosely tied to an improbable plot about escaped convicts, the Cuban Mafia, and an incriminating computer disk. Laurence Fishburne's forceful presence helps, but the charms of Stephen Baldwin, his handcuffed chum, prove elusive.

For a good Hollywood film this week, you have to go back 52 years and watch Dick Powell as Philip Marlowe getting slugged, drugged and bamboozled in Farewell My Lovely. The Chandler classic also glories in taut direction from Edward Dmytryk, expressionist lighting, a delightfully unsavoury supporting cast, and moments of wonderful insolence: look at the way Marlowe lights his match on the bottom of a statue of Cupid. Treat yourself.





Danielle: Beautiful and stylderstanding or sympathy toish. If the combination of wards the people and their calligraphy and sex excites you, then this is a must - but Bill Staples, 21: An impressive then again, so is counselling. period drama. However, Liam Lisa: This potentially interest-Necson's portrayal of Collins ing tale is unconvincing and resembles Oskar Schindler, tedious to watch. while Alan Rickman makes an

Jessica: The first hour makes calligraphy a playful and arousing world. The second

☐ THE EIGHTH DAY Danielle: Attempts to combine comedy and tragedy but achieves neither and leads to rather disturbing viewing. Lisa: Both leading performances are excellent and help to magnify society's insecurity and fear of disabled people.

Jessica: Inventive hallucina-

tions and moments of surprising sensitivity. Bill: Unoriginal script betrays traces of greater films, but fails to live up to any of them. Overly sentimental.





■ CHOICE 1

Victoria Wood's comedy, Talent, goes on stage in Bolton

VENUE: Now in preview at the Octagon



■ CHOICE 2

... and curtain up for Caryl Churchill's Light Shining

VENUE: From tonight, Gulbenkian, Canterbury

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■ UNE FEMME FRANCAISE

Guild, 18, 1995 HIGH-CLASS tosh, with Emmanuelle Béart as the wayward wife of an army officer (Daniel Auteuil) whose continof time for straying. Suspicion persists that Regis Wargnier, the director and co-writer, is striving for some parallel between Beart's history and the nation's, but his approach is too shallow for the trick to work.

■ DEAD MAN WALKING

PolyGram. 15, 1996 OSCAR-WINNER Susan Sarandon has rarely been better as the naive but indomitable Sister Helen Prejean, who sees a wounded soul hidden behind the callous exterior of Matthew Poncelet

(Sean Penn), sitting on Death Row in New Orleans awaiting execution for murder. Tim Robbins's powerful film. based on a true story, treats all the characters with respect and finds no easy answers to the issue of capital punishment. The script is intelligent, the visual presentation adroit; but it is the two star performers who carry the film. Available to rent.

■ EXECUTIVE DECISION

Warner, 15, 1996 OLD cliches get a new lease of life in this silly but entertaining action thriller mostly set on a hijacked jumbo jet. While Islamic militants strut with guns, Kurt Russell's anti-terrorist team penetrate the underbelly and try to defuse a nerve-gas bomb. Some characters are cardboard cut-outs, but the film, directed by Stuart Baird, scores with its worm's eye view of the world underneath your aeroplane seat. A rental release.

SAFE

Tartan, 15, 1995 UNNERVING drama about environmental sickness, with Julianne Moore as the San Fernando Valley housewife who retreats from her allergies into a New Age cocoon, Writer-director Todd Haynes does not make the going easy. The narrative traps you in a tunnel and forces you to ponder on what ravages life more: environmental pollution or human attitudes to sickness. Not a movie for couch potatoes; but Moore is outstanding in a difficult role, and the film manages the rare achievement of changing our perception of daily life.



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a touch cool at certain moments of passionate intensity, I would not wish to find fault with it (and it is coupled with an interesting orchestration. by Theo Verbey, of Berg's Piano Sonata). Jóo, on the other hand, captures the grotesqueries of the parody funeral march and the raw edge of the finale's opening, while his more up-front recording (a mixed blessing) enhances earthiness and immediacy. A handful of tiny blemishes, including the poorly balanced conclusion to the

ing, budget-label release. MUSICALS

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WONDERFUL: Bryn Terfel Sings Rodgers & English Northern Philharmonia/Daniel DG 449 I63-2** THE OLD Broadway melodies keep on beckoning. Bryn ers to be tempted. With Christmas coming, the commercial attractions are obvious. But Terfel told Melvyn Bragg on Sunday's South Bank Show that this Rodgers & Hammerstein album was his choice. Maybe he should have thought again, Terfel has sounded very much at home

handle his Schubert, but he rarely sounds as though he was weaned on the musical and the American genre. And a lack of zip from Paul Daniel and the Northern Philhar-monia is no help campare Terfel in Billy's Soliloquy from Carousel with Thomas EMI and the American baritone wins hands down for feeling, phrasing and fervour.

ing through his veins and the other does not. Or not yet. Nor is there much pleasure in hearing Terfel waste his powerful instrument on elutinous numbers such as Edelweiss. He finally comes into his own in jolly, punchy songs such as June is Bustin' Out All Over and What a Lovely Day for a Wedding, a survivor

from the virtually forgotten

Allegro. With these and a couple of others, the natural Terfel bonhomie shines through, the perfect diction pays off and the voice can be out to some use. Together they just manage to push the disc into the two-star category.

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few of his 40 works in the genre are given an airing. Réné Jacobs's new realisation and recording, with its highly expressive chaice of instrumental textures and gestures, is all the more welcome. and takes palpable pleasure in the recreation of the vibrant Venetian palette of Magda-

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They battle for the soul of Maddalena, while Maria Cristina Kiehr finds herself in eloquent anguish at the crosspath of dalhance meets the " straight and narrow way. Sister Marta (Rosa Dominguez) offers sweet and colourful support, counterbal-... anced by the busy discouragement of Ulrich Messthaler's stentorian Farisco, before ultimate reassurance from the strong and luminous tenor of :::

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Enigma with attitude

success by stealth. This group of Californians formed around the writing team of vocalist Hope Sandoval and guitarist David Roback first surfaced on the 1990 Rough Trade album She Hangs Brightly. Glowing reviews led them to a contract with Parlophone, and 1993's followup, So That I Might See, went on to sell more than a million. Since then, word-of-mouth and appearances on such high-profile soundtracks as Barman Forever have helped to maintain a momentum. Flowers in December, a single from the newly-released third LP Among My Swan, actually grazed the Top 40. But the band members themselves remain relatively unknown.

At Union Chapel, the waiflike Sandoval proves to be the

Mazzy Star Union Chapel, NI

ultimate in undemonstrative, self-contained vocalists. In fact, she offers not one word of between-songs chat during her 70 minutes on stage. At times, you have to look closely to make sure she is there at all: her plangent but arriess voice can blend so atonally with the sounds created by her fellow musicians that it becomes just another instrument, And, instead of standing in the glare of anything so intrusive as a spotlight, she prefers to hathe in a dull blue haze, or to disappear into the shadows altogether - a shrinking vioiet, almost literally.

But despite her low-key presence - animation suggested only by the shaking of a tambourine or by the repeated pushing-back from her face of two curtains of long dark hair - Sundoval reels her audience in, bit by bit. The cumulative effect of Mazzy Star's catalugue is hypnotic and beguiling. Some of the songs here have the purity of folk music, others stray into vaguely malevolent, psychedelic C&W, but with them she builds an increasingly trance-like, powerfully emotional mood.

Perhaps because of the seting old favourites such as Blue Flower or Shirley are greeted over-reverently, and it takes the appearance of William Reid from the Jesus and Mary Chain to create a little welcome tension. By the time it ends though, in a blur of strobe lights and guitar feedback. Sandoval is gone, with no word or gesture of goodbye but with her enigma intact.

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The great portico by the corner of the Aldwych sparkles with fresh cream paint, and hoardings are set tastefully in the niches. Once up the stairs into the auditorium, however, there is only one word to describe the new decor ghastly. This is unquestionably the most garish and 1. Napier's stunning design erupts insensitive restoration of a major, through the prosonium arch, swalhistoric interior since the Queen's House in Greenwich opened its doors nearly a decade ago.

The interior of the Lyceum is all

the badly parted up provincial hotels. I have ever seen rolled into one. Lipstick reds of a virulent hoe assault the eye wherever you turn; from the stalls to the gods, along endless corridors and around every one of the spacious new bars. Only in the loyer has Apollo Leisure allowed a more restful cream. The result is overwhelmingly

oppressive and monstrously discordant. This unremitting red (which behind doors occasionally turns tomagenta) is even worse than the barrels of gold paint used to touch up every ornamental detail. Now add the classic error of using different patterns on every surface,

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looking red and gold wallpaper in every wall panel in the theatre.

The woodwork appears to come from Dial-a-Moulding, and the light fittings are Caesar's Palacestyle illuminated glass punchbowls in the auditorium and fussy little bunches of glass droplets in the bars. Themed pubs, Texas bordellos. Indian restaurants — there is a touch of them all.

Both English Heritage and the Theatres Trust (which owns the freehold of the theatre) murmur discreetly about the opportunity for a more faithful colour scheme when the new set installed for Andrew Lloyd Webber's Jesus Christ Superstar is removed. At present, John lowing up newly restored boxes on either side in a forest of timber orchestra pit. scaffolding.

apier evidently saw in one minute that the way to save the show was to dim the lights and "distress" the boxes next to the stage, painting them in soft beiges and browns. In doing this, he has actually helped to highlight the best aspect of the Apollo restoration: the first-class quality of the new plasterwork, which is a brilliant match of the original ebullient ornament in the 1904 designs of Bertie Crewe. Interior decoration aside, Apollo

Leisure deserves credit for bringing back into use a theatre which rivals the Coliseum in size and splendour without a penny of public money The Lyceum's fame is due above all to the great Henry Irving, the greatest of all actor-managers - in the present building. Even more than most London

theatres, the Lyceum's history has been marked by adversity. Of the Regency theatre, by Samuel Beazley, only the portico survives. The auditorium on which Irving trod the boards is no more; it was rebuilt with real style by Crewe, one of the best set designers of his day. The new Lyceum continued in use until 1939 when — disgracefully — it was compulsorily purchased to make way for a road-building scheme (abandoned on the outbreak of war). Apollo has not only rescued the theatre from decay and dry rot, the company has also made a massive investment in completely rebuilding the stage and backstage, with a new fly tower with 76 cradles, as well as a hydraulically operated

Once in your seat, any seat, you should find the restored Lyceum a marvellous place to watch a show. It retains a fantastic sense of intimacy for all its size. The Dublin architects Holohan have increased leg room by reducing seating from 2,700 to 2,000 (1,800 for the run of Jesus Christ Superstar).

So the real test is to persuade Apollo to redecorate the interior. I am far from convinced that searching for a historically authentic colour scheme, gold leaf and all, is the right approach in this case. The whole scale and brio of Crewe's design is that of a stage set, and it needs a light touch to bring it alive.

MARCUS BINNEY ● Jesus Christ Superstar starts preview



Shakespeare's wayward daughter

have been Montague, Capulet, Gloucester, Lear or Leontes, but his children certainly caused him grief. His only son died in boyhood. His younger daughter hitched her wagon to one of Stratford's wilder citizens. And marriage to the eminent physician. John Hall, did not stop scandal striking his elder one. In 1613, three years before the dramatist's death, Susanna sued a certain John Lane for slander after he publicly accused her of "runinge of the raynes", ie, a had case of the clap, and having an affair with a haberdasher called Rafe Smith.

Was she guilty? A church court in Worcester declared not. But Peter Whelan, author of The Herbal Bed, suspects that the truth may be subtler, more complex, you might say more Shakespearean. She was

guilty and not guilty. She hankered for the passionate Smith, and would probably have succumbed to him while her coldly principled husband was out on a call, had not the family servant made a fateful if Feydeauesque entrance into their love nest amid the marjoram and thyme.

Whelan's foray into speculative history needs a little trimming, at least in the early stages, but mostly remains as absorbing as the reviews from Stratford suggested last May. Towards the end, when Stephen Boxer's wily, wintry vicar-general is quizzing the nervously assembled parties, the piece takes on the grip of a courtroom thriller. But its point, interest and fun mainly derive from the sight of Shakespeare's daughter demonstrating her father's skill and

The Herbal Bed Barbican Pit

to concecting a dodgy plot and making everyone believe it. All the characters, from David Tennant's feckless, volatile Lane to Liam Cunningham's dourly well-meaning Hall, are made of what the Bard once called "mingled yarn, good and ill together". Its twin subjects are human contradiction and the evasions, fibs and fixes that enable marriages, families.

It is also about the puritanism compromise but Boxer's icy inquisitor will clearly embrace until the last cavalier disappears and Shakespeare and the theatre follow him into the oubliette.

This is an intelligent, enjoyable evening, and, thanks to Michael Attenborough's direction, a pretty well-acted one. If Teresa Banham's Susanna is braynes that matter. comfier and less flustered than she should surely be, Joseph

about everything else to work. gling anxiety and bug-eyed that Dr Hall is prepared to speare, who made a guest appearance in Whelan's equally excellent The School of Night? Sadly, the evening ends as he is about to be carried into the Hall home. suffering from the ailment his daughter does not have. But at least this means we do not have to see his raynes runing. It is, after all, his runing

> BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

ALAN JACKSON | Herbail martet: Frennes, Cunningham, Banham, Tennant

Power to no purpose

winning awards in North America for the past 15 years, and has established himself and his Montreal-based troupe, iLa La Human Steps, as one of Canada's premier cultural exports. For his company's return to Brit-ain, after an absence of five years, he brings the much-travelled 2, a 1995 work that shows Lock looking to the kind of future most dancers would rather not contemplate.

The ageing process is parad-

ed before us in glaring closeup on two giant screens that display filmed images of Lou-ise Lecavalier, the extraordinary star of La La La. On one screen she is seen as she appears on stage — a vibrant and physically assertive young woman. On the other she is made up - to brilliant effect - as a frightened 95year-old, in whom physical confidence has been stripped away by the indignities of the passing decades. Both of them are eating, the young Louise with lustful eagerness, the old Louise with tentative concentration. The contrasting pictures they paint are striking. But 2 is a dance piece, so choreography - not cinema must feature highest on the list of priorities. Lock's choreography is famous for its physical recklessness, its dazzling speed and its full-frontal assault on an audience's senses. His dancers - especially the women - possess an extravagant muscularity and

an androgynous grace. But it

is more obvious with 2, a work

La La La **Human Steps**

that finds Lock taking a more introverted approach, how limited his vocabulary is and how ill it serves his

His structure is wilfully anarchic — no beginning, no middle and no end — and the film inserts are chaotically interspersed into dance which feels completely unrelated. The abrasive and exhausting duets and ensembles are aimost interchangeable (despite

no tenderness, no humour, no emotional engagement.

resourcefulness when it comes

The ravaged dancers (four men, four women) are - with the exception of Lecavalier not allowed to be anything but ciphers. The music is a dreadful sludge of colourless harp-sichord writing (original score by Gavin Bryars, played live on stage by two harpsichord-ists) which alternates with the distressed, distorted wails of guitar-based rock (musical borrowings include, among others, Iggy Pop).

Lecavalier, though, remains an outstanding dance artist. with the vulnerability of a street urchin and the audacity of a street fighter. She is the fire in the soul of 2, and in the end its only justification.

DEBRA CRAINE



Ravaged duo: Fabien Prioville and Louise Lecavalier

WHY SETTLE FOR THE TITTLE-TATTLE WHEN YOU CAN READ THE **DUCHESS OF YORK'S OWN STORY?**

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keep diaries." said Tallulah girls don't have the time." Christopher Isherwood appears to have had all the time in the world — not only to keep them, but subsequently to revise or expand the entries and write bridging narrative to fill the gaps. This massive first volume begins in January 1939 when he and Wystan Auden sailed from Southampton on the French liner Cham-plain bound for New York. Well, I said, 'we're off again.' 'Goody,' said Auden."

The diary-keeping habit had been instilled by his mother. From the time of his christening in 1904, Kathleen Isherwood kept a record of her infant's achievements. She called it The Baby's Progress

up until the baby pub-lished its first DIARIES By Christopher novel at the Isherwood age of Volume I: 1939-1960 Edited and introduced six at the time) Methuen, £25 also embarked ISBN 4 136 9680 4 on a literary collaboration.

producing a small book called The History The child is father of the man, even in the case of children who never fully grow up. "What is the matter with you, Mr Isherwood?" his Indian guru asks him severely one day in 1941 when he discovers he has been taking lessons in bastrika, air swallowing and other hatha yoga exercises. "Surely you do not want Etarnal Youth?" "I was silent Isherwood. because.

course, 1 did." The diaries served as a rich source of raw material for his fiction, but Katherine Bucknell says that they also attest to his puritanical need to account for himself". (Isherwood's father's family traced their descent from John Bradshaw, the judge who sentenced Charles I to death.) He used them to discipline himself in his not infrequent periods of laziness or promiscuity. "Who are you — who writes all this?" runs a 1958 entry. "Why do you

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of what crime?

Bucknell, writing of Isherwood's biography of Rama-"freighted the book heavily with quotidian detail". The same might be said of some sections of these diaries. Passages like "I arrived here on the 27th, Gerald is upstairs. Chris is at the piano. Paul is washing his hair hardly make us feel we are looking over the shoulder of a Pepys or a Boswell

The frequent accounts of homosexual bickering are also eminently skippable, and isherwood's obsessive concern with his own health and that of his boyfriend of the moment quickly becomes tedious. It was no doubt somewhat alarming that Don Bachardy's

turn black in people who amuse themselves by eating majoon kif with Pau Bowles should presumably budget for the

ty surprise. (Majoon is a leaves, datum and poppy seeds, henbane, honey and ghee. Isherwood thought it resembled Christmas pudding.)
But there is also much to

admire. "Leave literature to the war correspondents," Isherwood writes. "Record." He is a master of the arresting cameo: "She was a whale of a girl with breasts like an Alpine "that monkey-gland lobster in a woolly, toy-sheep wig". His account of his first meeting with Swami Prabhavananda is incomparable: "I felt terribly awkward - like a rich, overdressed woman, in the plumes and bracelets of my vanity." He brilliantly catches Julian Huxley, anxious for the latest news of brother Aldous, whose Grev Eminence had alarmed him. "Did he - I mean - er, that is - do you mean to say he actually, er. really - prays?" Of Aldous himself, he writes: "Stupidity afflicts him

BOOKSHOP



Isherwood (left) with W. H. Auden in 1938; the two first collaborated on a prose-verse play, The Dog Beneath the Skin, three years earlier

like a nasty smell - and how eagerly he sucks at the dry teats of books!" At a picnic given by the Huxleys he encounters Garbo, who has come to meet Krishnamumi. "She wanted to be told the secret of eternal life, but quickly, in one lesson, before her butterfly attention wandered

meets Jean Marais. "foxy and the film-maker Robert Flaherty, "carrying his big stomach uneasily under has stolen"; and Ingrid Bergman. "She wasn't beautiful like Garbo, but she was radiantly appetizing," Isherwood writes. The fat, thicknecked movie men called her baby and pinched her fanny. She laughed — but it was like pinching the Venus de Milo." There are several memorably appalling encounters with

Dylan Thomas, grappling with his life as if he were a policeman". Isherwood took him to a restaurant on Sunset Boulevard with Charlie Chaplin and Shelley Winters. Thomas stared at her breasts and asked if they were real. "Sure," laughed the goodnatured Winters, but this was not good enough for Dylan. "Let me feel them," he demanded. "All right," replied Shelley, "but only with two fingers."

Isherwood greatly admired the journals of the Goncourts. "Here, gossip achieves the epigrammatic significance of poetry. To keep such a diary is to render a real service to the future." The same accolade might fairly be bestowed on these pages. But I hope Vol-

The inclination to goodness

and exasperating in equal measure. Since both characters are marked by an extraordinary vigour of style and conviction, I shall have to write two reviews

Review Number One: Darwin's theory of evolution implies that the human character is the outcome of a struggle among the "selfish genes", as Richard Dawkins calls them, whose only concerns tors. How is it that we - the by-products of this struggle - have such a pronounced tendency to altruism? Ridley calls upon biology, ethology, anthropology, game theory and cognitive science, in order to develop a plausible and erudite solution. Game-theory specialises in situations in which self-interested beings find compelling reason to defect from their promises. By promising to dig your garden, I secure your co-operation in digging mine. But now that mine has

strategic advantage over those - the virtuous - who don't. Game-theorists, taking advantage of computer simulation, have explored the ability of the various "nice" and "nasty" strategies to survive in mixed populations of players. They have shown that, in the long run, the defectors will be driven out by populations programmed to play in nicer ways. As Ridley elegantly suggests, these studies provide a model for the process whereby selfish genes produce

been dug, what reason have I to fulfil my

part of the bargain? In the conditions of

society, those who defect seem to have a

altruistic populations. The hive and the ant-heap, in which whole populations lay down their lives for their queen, illustrate the point. And their highly successful genetic strategy has its parallel in us. But there is also a vast difference. The hive is devoted to a single set of genes, those of the queen. In human societies many genes contend for perpetu-

THIS IS a profoundly learned and a ity. What function is served in this profoundly ignorant book, stimulating arrangement, by human virtue? Ridley's arrangement, by human virtue? Ridley's discussion takes us on a fascinating journey through other tribes and other species. His answer in a nutshell is that, sacrifice ourselves for the group but to exploit the group for ourselves". Our moral sentiments — guilt, compassion,

From this picture Ridley goes on to explain, with imaginative examples, the lings of group-identity, the practices of

Roger Scruton

THE ORIGINS OF VIRTUE By Matt Ridley Viking, E20 ISBN 0 670 86357-2

war, trade and religion, and virtue itself - in short, all that seems distinctive of human societies. He has some trenchant criticisms to make of modern collectivism. and of the unctuous sentimentality about other species and "natural" ways of life which have colonised the ecological movement. If environmentalists were as knowledgeable as Ridley, they would surely cease to be a danger

Review Number Two: Ridley wishes to show the deep similarities between human beings and other animals, in order to remove any doubts that the same kind of explanation applies to both. For him, the moral life is simply a more advanced version of genetic strategies which are observable throughout the biosphere. His whole argument, however, is topsy-turvy. He "proves" that human conduct replicates the strategies of primitive organisms, only by describing those organisms in anthropomorphic terms.

You can easily reduce human behaviour to a by-product of the gene when you describe the gene as "selfish". But this term can be truly applied only to that which is aware of the distinction beween has to be explained, and not to the thing which is supposed to explain it. We are self-conscious beings, who take responsiremorse and so on are only states bility for our past and future and who term cost. In the long term, creatures with justify our conduct with reasons offered to moral sentiments can draw on the fund of all mankind. How is that possible? If you eve not answered this or have not explained the "origins of virtue".

> MOREOVER, the picture of rationality which Ridley takes from game theory is a caricature. Rational beings have values as well as interests. Kant, never mentioned by Ridley, argued persuasively that we reason about our ends, in terms of the categorical imperative. This fells us to do as we would be done by, and to treat rational beings as ends and never as means only. If ordinary practical reason propels us towards virtue. Ridley is looking for the origins of virtue in the

wrong place.

Ridley's references to philosophers are confined to those — Hobbes, Hume and Adam Smith — whom he takes to be precursors of the Darwinian project. Haid he consulted Aristotle's Nichomachean Ethics he would have discovered a far more plausible antecedent for the view that virtue is a long-term strategy. But Aristotle, like Kant, holds that it is only rational beings who can be virtuous, and that rationality is not governed by the laws of animal nature.

Set beside the subtle reasoning of Aristotle and Kant, Ridley's attempt to justify the ways of man to man looks like a caricature. But most readers will not see this. The book will therefore reinforce the insidious biologism of popular science. and give credence to those who can see no differences of degree. To explain virtue in this way is, I fear, also to undermine it.

ally, became her enemy.

Home points out that when

Colonel von Stauffenberg tried

to persuade Field Marshal von

Manstein to join the resistance

against Hitler, he used one

word: "Tauroggen". It is one

example of the complex effect.

that the Napoleonic Wars

were to have on the develop-

ment of Germany as a modern

The resistance to Napoleon

presented by the continental

allies was far from united; yet

England, safe from Napoleon

thanks to Nelson's victory at

Trafalgar, always found the

gold to finance another coali-

tion. In the end it was inevita-

ble that the allies should grow

stronger, while the impetus of

the Corsican cannon-ball

slowed. The coalitions that

faced Napoleon were not as

glamorous as he was, but as Horne so rightly points out.

"If the prolonged struggle

over Napoleonic hegemony

they worked.

Bard as you can

TO DIE is all as common as to live: / The one in choice the other holds in chase, / For from the instant we begin to live, / We do pursue and hunc the time to die. I First bud we then we blow and after seed. /: Then presently we fall, and as a shade / Follows the body, so we follow death. If then we hunt for death, why do we fear it?/If we fear it, why do we follow it? . . ! For whether ripe or rotten, drop we shall As we do draw the lottery of bur doom.

Who could have written that in 1589 or thereabouts? It is taken from a text published by Yale under the unapologetic title Shake-speares Edward III, edited by Eric Sams. University presses should be very sceptical about such claims. Anthony Holden was in his review (September

5), and readers should be too. And yet the inwardness (and chop-logic) of this medita-tion might indeed be an early sketch for Claudio's "Ay, but to die, and go we know not where. "in Measure for Measure, and for the most famous lines ever written. This is pedestrian by comparison, but the attempt to write from inside an individual con sciousness, rather than making public statements, seems to me unlike what Marlows and Kyd, say, were about.

Intriguingly, too, Edward III (published anonymously in 1596) contains the line "Lilies that fester smell far worse than weeds", known to us from Sonnet 94, which was not



quotation dictionaries earlier text). The line is not 'recorded as a proverb, and it is unlikely that Shakespeare would have needed to steal someone else's line for the

NEARLY half of Shakepeare's plays were first print ed in 1623 in the First Folio. which at 15s unbound or £1 in calf was by far the most expensive playbook that had ever been offered to the Engilish public".

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Now the Norton Facsimile which selects the cleanest and most corrected pages from the Folger collection of folios, has been republished (£100). Thirty years on, a new introduction by Peter Blayney retracts a great number of the conclusions of his predecessor. Chariton Hinman, about the composition and printing practices. This is the most studied of all books, yet there are even fewer certainties about the transmission of the texts than we thought. And ideas about the Quarto texts that preceded it are still largely supposition.

THE VISUAL evidence for reconstructing the Globe The atre, on the South Bank, was also remarkably scant, as is clear from R.A. Foakes's hand some book Illustrations of the English Stage, 1580-1649 (Scolar, 1985) and indeed from paintings and drawings of Okt London Bridge as seen in the catalogue to the Royal Academy's current exhibition, Living Bridges. The Globe only ever appears incidentally. Yet des spite its daft director. Mark Rylance, who opened with offe of the slightest of the plays. Two Gentlemen, and insisted on modern dress, so throwing away the historical illusion the Globe is again what Berr Jonson called it, "the Glory of the Banke".

JIM McCUE

John Mortimer on Frances Fyfield's Without Consent.

Penny Perrick looks at women and the Mafia



### Path of the cannon-ball

A conqueror, like a can-non-ball," said the Duke of Wellington, "must go on: if he rebounds, his career is over." Napoleon was aware of it too. "My power would fail were I not to support it by new glory and new victories. Conquest has made me what I am, and conquest alone can maintain me." Yet Napoleon, artillery expert though he was, never seems to have grasped the ballistic certainty underlying both those statements. His career was a parabola. Sooner or later, it must lose speed and

How Far From Austerlitz is a study of Napoleon's driving force which could, as Horne puts it, "win striking victories, but still lose wars - and the peace". At the heart of the book is the point that the Napoleonic victories, from Austerlitz in 1805 to Friedland in 1807, were too great. Against the advice of Talleyrand, who wanted to see stability in Europe, Napoleon crushed Austria, Russia and Prussia, forced them into the Continental System which, he hoped, would isolate and finalArtemis Cooper

HOW FAR FROM **AUSTERLITZ?** Napoleon 1805-1815 By Alistair Horne Macmillan, £18.99 ISBN 0333655494

kill England. Talleyrand's fears proved correct. The rethat could not stop until Napoleon was defeated. Horne takes the reader, au

pas de charge, through all the major battles from Austerlitz to Waterloo. The text is peppered with references to other battles and commanders, from Marlborough to Hitler to Fidel Castro; and while the points Home makes are often valid and interesting, they would have made more of an impact had there been fewer of them. But he never loses the overall picture of the battle, while at the same time never allowing the reader to forget the ordinary soldier: that poor devil who had marched for days on end to reach the field, and



Portrait of conquest: Napoleon painted by Gerard in 1804

arrived half-starved, his boots tied to his feet with rags. Yet it was soldiers like these who performed the impossible for Napoleon, who inspired them as no commander has done before or since. "A man does not have himself killed for a few sous a day," he said. "You must speak to the soul in order

But Napoleon never had much to say to the nations he conquered, nor could be understand the fervent nationalism that emerged as a direct result of his heavy handed domination of Germany. This found expression in the secret treaty of Tauroggen, signed with Russia in 1812; in which Prussia, France's reductant

has any lesson, or moral,

useful to Britain today, it is perhaps the value of coalitions. Muddled and inefficient as they may be, two World Wars and a Cold War show that, in the long run, they win wars — and possibly prevent them. Powers, however strong, that exist alone, isolated, are usually doomed."

Artemis Cooper is writing

### Robert Winston finds hope for English batsmen in an evolutionary biologist's claim that statistics are not always what they seem

n his latest book, Life's Grandeur. Stephen Jay Gould tells A of major league baseball hit-ting. Since 1941, baseball hitters have invariably averaged below 0.400 — that is, made four scoring hits out of every ten times at bat. This, he says, means that standards of baseball play, paradoxi-cally, have improved. Those condemned to watch English batting during last summer's Test series may be forgiven for expressing incredulity at my contention that the standard of English batsmanship is more palpably

In 50 years since the war, no fewer than 17 batsmen have completed a season averaging more than 80 runs an innings. Before the war, only ten batsmen achieved better, with Bradman averaging 115.66 runs in his purple season of 1938. Gould claims that evidence gained from the improbably and grandiloquently named World Series is irrefutable.

### Three strikes and you may have just evolved

Without wishing to deny Gould's analysis (after all, how can a mere Brit possibly comment on an unnatural ballgame where the ball isn't allowed to deviate by hitting the ground?), baseball is his paradigm for Darwinian evolution. To quote Darwin's own words. "I cannot avoid the conviction that no innate tendency to progressive development exists". The paradox that Gould examines is that there is a general perception of evolution which maintains that, as life evolves, it seems to become increasingly com-

plex. Yet, for example, the simplest

organisms, bacteria, are astonish-

ingly and increasingly successful.

LIFE'S GRANDEUR By Stephen Jay Gould Cane. El6.99 ISBN 0 224041320

In parallel, most large mammals and highly specialised reptiles. such as dinosaurs, have died out. Gould calls on the science of statistics and he uses various. models including that of his beloved game, baseball. He points out that variation in life's forms increases with the passage of time. But life, in most of its forms, is largely conserved around a modal highest" expression of evolution,

To my mind this is relatively-

obvious, hardly worth the claboration. This isn't to say that Goold does not argue his case with his usual elegance and authority. As it happens, the book is interesting in lf, particularly in its description of the ubiquity of plankton and the puzzles of paleontology. But tie is at his best in unrelated areas 🛨 in his account of his apparently incurable cancer and his story of diving into the medical history to survival based on his statistical

But all in all, this perhaps is not Gould's best description of evolu-tion, though the statistical discus-sion in this book is timely and wells. explained Overall, I found Rich and Dawkins's depiction of the complexities of evolution far more satistying, in his recent Climbing Mount Improbable, At least Eng-lish readers of Gould will be reassured that we may be at a higher point in the evolutionary. scale than our Americanicousin

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Stephen Jay Gould will appear on Monday November 11 at The Times/Dillons Forum at the Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London WCI. Tickets, priced. E10, can be purchased through Dillons on 0171-467 1613.



# A grove of four-posters

roust's Duchesse de Guermantes drew around her a set away their lives enjoying her company. Jessica Douglas-Home has discovered an Englishwoman who can easily compete with the Duchesse in this respect - her great-aunt Violet, vho was born in 1871.

Violet was one of the daughters of a rich industrialist, James Gwynne, whose business ranged from pumping stations to mechanised sheepshears. She grew up in large houses in the Sussex countryside, and when she was 24 married a Cambridge friend of her prother's, Gordon Woodhouse. Before they were married, she had made it clear to this quiet, rich young man that he was not going to go to bed with her, and on her honeymoon she was already in a rage with him for buying a railway rug that left green marks on her evening dress, so that she had nothing to wear at the Opera in

Before long, a friend of Gordon's -Bill, later Viscount Barrington — had joined the household. He soon had the

#### Derwent May

VIOLET The Life and Loves of Violet Gordon Woodhouse By Jessica Douglas-Home Harvill, E20 ISBN 1860462693

bedroom next to hers (and years later almost got his name immediately following hers, and before Gordon's. on her tombstone). It is fairly clear that he became her lover, though there is no

absolute proof.

A third and a fourth man were soon living with them in their houses in Mayfair and Sussex. Max Labouchère, who came from a Huguenot banking family, was the brilliant kind of man Violet needed to make her laugh and think. The ménage à cinq, which was never afterwards to be broken except by death, was completed by a young soldier. Denis Tollemache, who had fallen in love with Violet when he was eight. Denis's role was to worship

Violet from afar with boyish passion. There are wonderful tales of them all going out shopping in London with Violet, vying to heap her with splendid presents. And there is an extraordinary description of all their four-poster beds in adjoining bedrooms in their last house, Nether Lypiatt in the Cotswolds

- Gordon's in pale chintz with birds and flowers. Bill's a Queen Anne bed in white satin and blue plush. Violet's in mellow brick-red with deeper red curtains - and Denis's a "smaller fourposter" in cotton on the next floor. (Max was dead by now, the only one killed in

the Great War.) It is a remarkable story, and one may wonder how all these men — Violet's "superhusbands", as the composer Ethel Smyth named them accepted the situation so placidly. One forgets, in the roar for Ever More and Ever Better that comes from the media. that people are often contented with very little - if it is exactly what they

Yet this is only half the story. Violet, very obviously, was a spoilt and imperious woman - but she was something else, too, a superb musician, and a dashing and inventive aesthete. She started playing the piano as a



Woman of many passions: Gordon Woodhouse, Violet and Bill, later Viscount Barrington, at Southover Manor.

small child, and all her life she practised for hours every day. She had wonderful teachers; her interest switched to harpsichords and clavichords and she became the outstanding clavichordist of the day. She started by giving private concerts, but was soon a public performer in great demand. She had a clavichord built into her car, and in her drawing room her instruments stood protected in Paislev shawls.

er resurrection of the clavichord was a quite new contribution to music, yet things, already almost obliterated. However. Pavilion Records has just reissued the first recording ever made of the harpsichord — which was made by Violet herself in July 1920 - and on GEMM CD 9242 some of her silvery, whispering notes come faintly back

Jessica Douglas-Home tells this story brilliantly. It moves on unfalteringly, and as it goes it sweeps into its progress the atmosphere and artefacts of a whole society, while a tolerant humour flickers in the shadows. Gardens and garden fashions weave through the book — it was Bill who concerned himself with those. We see the London music scene at its apogee in 1914, with Chaliapin singing, the Diaghilev dancers dining alongside Shaw and Bennett at great London houses, and "the waltz from Strauss's Rosenkavalier the backdrop to every

ball or dance". After the First World War, the story perhaps falters a little. It is like a novel where two-thirds of the way through the novelist does not quite know what to do with the characters - but here, of course, it is the middle-aged characters who are not quite sure what to do with themselves. However, a murder comes to the author's rescue. Gordon's two ribbon for you to mark your place.

sisters are killed by their butler which was also good luck for Gordon, since they were just about to leave their fortune to a nephew. Incidentally, though Gordon had practically ruined himself with his generosity to Violet, he was not generous to the nephew who had lost his inheritance by a week, and he gave him nothing.

Violet had one last passion, which was evenly distributed between Domenico Scarlatti and Sacheverell Sitwell, who dug out Scarlatti's practically forgotten sonatas for her and made her play them. She died in 1948, and the house Nether Lypiatt was left to her own nephew, John Gwynne, who was Jessica Douglas-Home's

Jessica's wonderfully researched book gives Violet a firm and vivid place in our picture of England in the first half of the 20th century. It is also handsomely produced - with a violet statesmen

unanimous in their determination to eradicate the old causes which twice in their lifetime, had dragged the world into war. They were anything but unanimous on the way to set about it.

As Max Beloff argues in this

powerful essay, when it came to what would best advance this goal there were two schools of thought, each the product of distinctively different historical, legal and constitutional experience. They were not so much complementary as incompatible.

The "continental" approach could be described as structural. The Franco German blueprint which friend expression in the Treaty of Rome as-sumed that European integration would necessarily involve the subordination of national political processes to supranational institutions. In time, the main attributes of national sovereignty would be ineluctibly absorbed into a federal union.

This was not a goal shared by most British politicians, let alone the British people. From the moment of Britain's initial. rejected application to join the European Economic Community, its leaders have painted EC institutions in comforting pastel tones - as mere tools of national policy, to be used by governments for common purposes when this seemed desirable

his is the interpretation of European Union that British ministers like to describe as practical and pragmatic. For Lord Beloff, it is quite simply a misrepresenta-tion of the meaning of this "pan-European enterprise". Whether the Establishment was itself deluded, or believed that it had a, positive duty not to let the electorate fully into lits confidence, he argues the result has been a confidence trick played on voters and, more portentously, on Parliament, the constitu tion and its basis in the

common psw-. For cock-up and conspiracy theories alike, he has found plenty of evidence in such public sources as Hansard and political memoirs. As readers old enough to recall the furore over New Zealand butter need little reminding, when Britain first applied in the 1960s there was far more public anxiety about the fate of Commonwealth preference than about the impact of the Treaty of Rome on British sovereignty. Even Gaitskell, publicly so eloquent that entry would reduce Britain to a "province of Europe" and end "a thousand years of history" (an exaggeration, as Lord Beloff comments in one of the elegant cameo histories which enrich this succinct polemic), would probably have settled in the end for terms of accession that took more account of Britain's Commonwealth ties.

In the light of today's EMU debate, it is wonderful to read that Lord Home believed that

# Deaf

he had allayed all possible concern when he reassured the House of Lords in 1961 that the "surrender of sovereignty is restricted to economic mat ters\*. What did he think he meant? But then, what in 1972 could have persuaded the law-yer in Geoffrey Howe to refer in the same sentence to "the inescapable and enduring sovereignty of Parliament" and ne precedence of Community Law" under the Treaty of

#### Rosemary Righter

BRITAIN AND **EUROPEAN UNION** Dialogue of the Deaf By Max Beloff Macmillan, E37.50 ISBN 0333634322

Rome - what, except the politician in him who could comfortably conclude that any conflict that might arise "would be a matter for ... the government of the day"?

It is one of the virtues of this book, however, that it is not only Whitehall and its political masters that Lord Beloff puts in the dock. He stresses other failures of insight, most notably by leaders of the legal profession who ought, he persuasively contends, to have been more alert in defence of the common law that so crucially distinguishes Britain from

its continental neighbours. Yet this tale of two Europes is asymmetrical, because Lord Beioff is uittim (V 1000 200001 2/11 – historian, and too knowledge-able a European, to depict the

Nothing after all could be more naive than to suppose that federalism would have appealed for different reasons to the perceived national interests of France and Germany or that their idea of what it entailed was identical.

When Adenauer told Gaulle that "Europe will be your revenge" for Suez, he was not for a moment intending Germany to distance itself from the United States. But he saw that for France, working dosely with Germany must then have seemed a bargain price for what seemed securely on offer the political leadership of Europe. It is in that sense that de Gaulle's Europe des patries is compatible with Maastricht. Or was For France: "locking Germany in" its claim to great power status because for France, "shared

sovereignty" has meant "sovereignty shared with us".

The dismantling of the Berlin Wall is reshaping Western as well as Eastern Europe. Whether or not the decision in 1991 to reinstate Berlin as the German capital proves, as Lord Beloff predicts, to be "the turning point in the history of the process of European Union, France's key postwar assumptions have been rendered insecure by Germany's political resurgence. If there is today a popular turning against European federalism. Lord Beloff concludes, it has far less to do with Britain's national agonising than it has with the disappearance of Franco-German parity. In the search for a solution, Britain can only be a bystander. Must France, which he sees as the key player of the 1990s, choose between British and German concepts of Europe's destiny? So Elizabeth Guigou, a passionate French advocate of European Union, believes; and on this Lord Beloff agrees. It would be a neat ending to a tangled tale. But neatness, as and as Lord Beloff would be the first to acknowledge, is other side as a monelith. thoroughly un-European.

### Haunted by the smell of despair

ON THE NIGHT in question. a train races towards a drawson is lost inside the engine room. The signalman's dilemma: leave the bridge raised and protect his son from the grinding gears of its machinery - sentencing a hundred passengers to their deaths or sacrifice his son for the

strangers on the train. In The Night in Question, Frank tells this story like a sermon. Frank is damaged, a survivor of drug addiction, of a car accident; but his sister Frances knows the damage extends beyond the physical. She recalls their father striking Frank when they were Frances tried to think of a moment when their lives might have turned by even a degree, turned and gone some other way, and she always came back to this instant when her father knew the wrong he had done, was shaken and open to rebuke."

Erica Wagner

THE NIGHT IN QUESTION By Tobias Wolff Bloomsbury, £14,99 ISBN 07475 28364 **CRUISING** PARADISE

By Sam Shepard Secker & Warburg, £15.99 ISBN 0436203332

Tobias Wolff's short stories turn on these moments of uncertainty and possibility possibility that is all too often unrealised. His characters are adrift in a world whose events they must attempt, however bizarrely, to control: in Mortals a man writes his own obituary: in The Other Miller a soldier slips into another's life. There is always something out there, something that might, if things were different, be achieved or attained, but circumstances will always conspire to keep his characters in their state of permanent suspense: this same uncertainty powered This Boy's Life and In Pha-

rach's Army, too.

But Wolff never allows his characters' doubts to derail his narrative. A poet of the particular, his precise observations of both emotion and situation keep his tales clear of the sub-Raymond Carver drift that always threatens this kind of story. This boarding house was worse than the last, unfriendly, funereal, heavy with the smells that disheartened people allow themselves to cultivate." The smell of the disheartened clings to all these tales, but Wolff's clear vision, allied to his understanding, makes them more than simply the fragments of the dis-The world Sam Shepard's

characters inhabit is no more knowable, and it is plagued by the same random violence that tips everything out of balance. These stories — some of which are just slices of conversation, overheard as if the reader had a crossed telephone line wander across the landscape of America, each piece dated and located: "7/91, Kadoka, South Dakota"; "5/16/89. Scottsville, Virginia"; "3/18/90, Tueson, Arizona".

It is one of the strengths of Shepard's writing, as true of his plays as of these fictions. that he captures the sense of a long-vanished frontier. The wordplay in the title of Hail from Nowhere is a little heavyhanded - none of these characters really have any roots —



Wolff: poet of the particular

but the violent hailstorm that shatters the narrator's car window is vividly realised, as is the gritty, blinding swirl of Dust, placing their narrators squarely in a dangerous, unpredictable world. Many of bartender's attention."

the protagonists are nameless hes — perhaps Shepard, per-haps not. This lack of specificity means that it is easy for the pieces to run together, which is fine when they are part of a continuum, as in the sequence of movie tales at the end. It can be deadening earlier in the book, when a distinction needs to be made. The stronger stories, such as A Small Circle of Friends or The Package Man, can get lost in the surrounding noise.

Is that, in the end, the point? The fiction of both Wolff and Shepard is, in Carmen Callil's phrase, "pistol-packing", filled with small and large aggressions, with the mysterious motivation of doubt. Even a violent death, like the one at the end of The Package Man, can seem to disappear in the surrounding confusion: "It wasn't a loud shot, just a thudding bang like a firecracker makes. It wasn't even loud enough to draw the

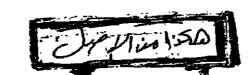
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Another new kid on the block steals Ewing's thunder

# Nearly Man in search of **Success**

the locker beneath Madison Square Garden on Tuesday night and hung his head. A giant ice pack was strapped to each knee, but his tired, resigned expression suggested his whole body was aching. For a while, he tried to explain away the New York .Knicks' defeat that night at the hands of Shaquille O'Neal and the Los Angeles Lakers, but then he gave up. That's it. fellas," he said. "I'm done."

 By then, the arena upstairs was empty. Workmen were aiready tearing up the wooden court and cleaners were mopping up the dregs of soft drinks and the scattered reamains of chicken fingers and ketchup. The new season was still only three games old but, suddenly, the high hopes that Knicks fans had begun to harbour of winning their first National Basketball Associration (NBA) championship for 23 years seemed like fond delusion in the face of the

Lakers' 98-92 victory. For Ewing, the reality was particularly stark. His pursuit of the title has become a melancholic epic. This season - after the Knicks splashed tout close to \$80 million on providing him with a worthy supporting cast at last - was supposed to represent his best chance yet, but it is already apparent that it

will not be enough. Fate, though, daubed him with failure even before he arrived in New York 12 seasons him with ago, it cast him as winner who would forever be

associated with losing and, subsequently, all the awards he has won and records he has surpassed have failed to break the spell. Riicy, now of the Houston Rockets, Ewing is basketball's ultimate nearly man.

It is not that he has had a career shorn of success. He has wen two Olympic gold medals, one as a member of the notorious Dream Team in Barcelona in 1992, and has been picked season after seaon for the NBA's prestigious All-Star game. Yet, as the years have gone by, his skills have become a measure of the greatness of others. Inevitably, it was Michael



Jordan, the best player of the modern era, who cast the die in 1982, when he and Ewing were still college kids. In the dying seconds of the last game of the college championship finals, Jordan sank what is still known today as 'The Shot" to win the game for the North Carolina Tar Heels over Ewing's Georgetown Hoyas Ewing's nickname, the Hoya Destroya, never had quite the same ring again.

He has broken just about every Knicks record since he joined them in 1985. He has made more appearances for them than any other player, scored more points, made more rebounds, steals and blocks. But always he has been overshadowed in the NBA at large, if not by Jordan, then by the Rockets' Hakeem Olajuwon, by Barkley and, latterly, by O'Neal.

Tuesday night's game was billed, predictably, as a showdown between Shaq and Ewing. The media at-'Fate

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tempted to build it into a grudge match. citing Shaq's alleged lack of respect for his opponent, but the sad truth for Ewing is that the rivalry between the two has

already effectively been deciareci a no-contest. It is not just that Ewing, at move from the Orlando Magic to the Lakers at the end of last season put him at the heart of a young team with the potential to win the NBA championships this year and to be a serious contender for years to

Nor is it really the fact that Ewing came up short when it mattered on Tuesday, sinking just eight out of 22 shots at the basket and scoring 2! points compared with O'Neal's 12 out of 23 successes and 26 points.



O'Neal has the ball and Ewing, once again, seems powerless in his attempt to get it

O'Neal rebounded, or recovered.\_possession, better and blocked more shots, too.

his profile. Ewing is a shy man, undemonstrative and lacking in charisma, the heart of a team that, as Americans say, is talented at "winning ugly", without panache.

O'Neal, although he lumbers around the court, often explodes into speciacular action, slam-dunking with abandon, clawing opponents' shots out of the basket when they already seem to be below the rim. He exudes confidence and easy charm and his style has brought giant rewards to fit his 7ft lin, 22-stone frame. While Ewing has earned \$37 million over the past five years and endorses products like Orange Maid and Nike, O'Neal has signed a sevenvear deal with the Lakers that

over seven years, has starred in three films and made two rap albums that sold more than a million copies. Like Jordan. O'Neal is the complete modern basketball player, a heady mix of talent and image, in-your-face confiembodiment of American suc-

cess. Ewing, as the years press

will bring him \$121 million

on, is becoming a symbol of tailure. Yesterday, a New York newspaper summed it up with back page picture and of Shaq soaring to the basket and thrusting the ball through it. In the background, Ewing is looking up at him with a pained, helpless expression on his face. "Shaq and Lack" the headline said.

**OLIVER HOLT** 

TOMORROW

The highly-priced fall guy caught up in the Jets' failure to lift off in the NFL CRICKET

### **Improving England are** unmoved by pitch switch

From a Special Correspondent in adelaide a few wickets out there and

they have got a long first-class

season ahead. You can't expect

by right to come and play at

the Oval. It is a place

where only first-class

matches are played and I don't

think we should be an

Hollioake, after a disap-

pointing performance in the

nine-wicket defeat by a New

South Wales XI in Tamworth.

responded with a superb indi-

vidual contribution that in-

spired England to a display

far removed from their below-

par exhibition in their opening

fixture. The Surrey all-round-

er claimed three for 44, while

ENGLAND A. undisturbed by their relegation from the Adelaide Oval to a neighbouring nursery ground, complet-ed a six-wicket victory over South Australia, the Sheffield Shield holders, in Adelaide yesterday.

Instead of playing at the Test match venue, the touring team were moved to a neighbouring pitch on a par with a municipal ground in England and forced to change on the outfield. It failed to detract from England's performance. however, as they overhauled South Australia's modest total of 203 for seven in 50 overs with five overs remaining.

They were not first-class conditions but we weren't going to make any excuses," Adam Hollioake, the England captain, said. There were a few moans from the players because we weren't playing on the Adelaide Oval and we had to change out on the park.

"But I said to them that we would complain about that afterwards. I told them that, if we won the game, they wouldn't even notice it, and there wasn't one complaint in the dressing-room afterwards, so I was pleased with the attitude from the players. "I understand there are only

Dean Headley and Glen

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Greg Biewett, a candidate for Australia's problematic No 3 spot in the first Test against West Indies later this month, hit a studied 45 but, without Darren Lehmann's unbeaten 61, made off 59 balls after being dropped on 34 by Michael Vaughan, the Shield holders would have struggled to get near 200.

After the early loss of Vaughan, Mark Butcher and Anthony McGrath, of Surrey, looked untroubled as they steered England to 117 for one

in 27 overs. Then McGrath fell to a brilliant return catch from Paul Wilson, the pace bowler, Owais Shah edged a catch to Neilsen, the wicketkeeper, off Parker and Butcher, who hit seven boundaries in his 76, was bowled by Lehmann as three wickets fell for 31 runs in

It left England with new hatsmen Craig White and Hollioake at the crease, needing a further 58 runs off 17 overs, but the pair responded to the challenge and secured victory with ease.

"It's always nice to get the first win under your belt." Hollioake said, confirming that he had had difficulty allocating overs to his bowlers because of the limitations of the scoreboard.

"I thought the bowling won the match for us," Hollioake said. "Our fielding wasn't really up to scratch but everybody who bowled kept it tight and we were able to contain a team who has just won the Sheffield Shield. The batting was just a matter of keeping ahead and knocking them

**SNOOKER** 

### Bond ensures steady progress

ENGLAND overcame a stubborn Australia side to record a 10-5 victory yesterday and become the first team to reach the semi-finals of the Castrol Honda World Cup at the

Amari Watergate Hotel here in Bangkok (Phil Yates writes). Assisted by breaks of 45, 55, 71 and 43 from Ronnie O'Sullivan, runs of 96, 55 and 56 from Peter Ebdon and a vital black-ball success for Nigel Bond over Stan Gorski, England were set for comfortable progress when they estab-

lished a 9-2 advantage. However, Gorski, his country's amateur champion, produced a 68 break in the twelfth frame to beat Bond while Ouinten Hann, 19, in only his second season as a professional, put together a 77 against Ebdon to bring a further measure of respectability to

O'Sullivan, unbeaten in his four previous frames during the match, appeared certain to

when he led Gorski 48-7 at an advanced stage of the fourteenth frame, but, when he missed a relatively straightforward blue, Gorski earned Australia another stay of execution with a controlled 50

Bond opened the scoring in the fifteenth frame with a 51

clearance to pink.

off its spot and Robby Foldvari edged back into contention. Yet another frame could have slipped from England's grasp. but, in potting the green, Foldvari cruelly kissed the pink into a baulk pocket.

England's semi-final opponents looked likely to be Ireland, who led Canada, the 1990 World Cup champions, 9-6 after reeling off the first five frames. The Irish moved 8-2 ahead at the start of the concluding session, but the Canadians refused to capitulate. Breaks of 46 and 79 saw Cliff Thorburn beat Fergal O'Brien, Jim Wych defeated Stephen Murphy and a 68 break from Alain Robidoux accounted for O'Brien.

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# De Glanville has strength to lead on all fronts

selection of the England rugby captain to appreciate the demands of the role and, in Phil de Glanville, the management have gone for the right man. Now that Will Carling has stepped down, de Glanville has the qualities to deal with matters on the field and.

almost as important, off the field. On the field, the captain is only one man in a side where there must be several decision-makers in key areas. The tactics have been discussed collectively beforehand and any change of approach hinges on the performance of others. But the captain's abilities away from the field have become of vital

The game has made massive

Out only have to see the strides since Carling was first intense media interest in the appointed and now stands high in the sporting hierarchy of this country. The demands on the individual have grown hugely but I believe de Glanville can cope with them; crucially, he has gained the respect of everyone in the squad, as a player and a person. He is level-headed but he has obvious strength of

> He has well-developed views on issues and is prepared to take a lead. Even when he was a bench replacement, he would make a substantial contribution in training and team meetings, and when his opportunity arose to play a full season — as a result of Jeremy Guscott's injury - he did a good job both at home and on tour in South Africa. He has a good grasp of the

Rob Andrew welcomes England's choice of captain but questions their wisdom in taking on

Italy without a reliable goalkicker in the side

game and I have no doubt he will be a forthright leader.

My one reservation is the additional pressure that he may find himself under because of the continued presence of the two men whose form held him back -Guscott and Carling. Both are playing well and people have short memories: if things do not go well for England to start with, it is possible to see a bandwagon developing for the restoration of the longstanding centre partnership which

But, with England having opted for de Glanville as captain, I was surprised to find Carling picked alongside him for the match against Italy on November 23. Their playing attributes are much more closely aligned and, given the form Guscott has been in this season, I would have thought that greater variety could have been achieved by a different midfield pairing.

It is worth remembering, though. that the international calendar is such that change during a season is almost inevitable. I don't think it will be possible to go through a schedule — as we did once on the way to a grand slam — using a bare 15 or 16 players. Given the ferocity of the matches, the potential for injury is high.

I hope that de Glanville and England achieve the early momentum they seek but the lack of a goalkicker may come back to haunt them. We all want to go out and play open rugby and score as many tries as possible, but the opposition have a bearing on that and they don't always let you. There is always a chance, going into any game with a young side that needs grow together, that you will become involved in a close encounter and one kick may cost victory. It could be argued that, by

retaining Carling, England have

actually given themselves three goalkickers. Mike Catt worked hard with Dave Alred and me during the 1995 World Cup in South Africa and turned into a useful kicker in training. However, that progress has not been carried through - he may kick five out of six in his first match, but equally he

may miss the same number. The selectors may have felt obliged to take the risk in the hope that a dependable kicker, Catt or Tim Stimpson, would come through during the next 12 to 18 months, but that is how long it takes to achieve the necessary consisten-cy. I am not sure that, mentally, either of them have picked up the gauntlet and admitted to themselves that they want to become a leading goalkicker.

Wales deny

giving pay

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Quinnell

THE Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) is standing firm in its

dispute with Scott Quinnell while insisting that talks could be reopened. Quinnell, effect-ively on international strike

since ending his rugby league league career with Wigan in

the summer and returning to

union with Richmond, has broken off financial negotia-

tions between his agent, Mike Burton, and the WRU direc-

tor of rugby, Terry Cobner. In a statement yesterday, the WRU said: "The Union

would like to make it clear that

at no time did Terry Cobner,

proposals were examined dur-

ing the discussions, all of which needed the approval of

the WRU general committee."

Contracted national squad members playing in the Welsh

League each secured £30,000 deals, plus assorted win bo-

nuses and match fees.

Quinnell, who is understood

to have been offered £20,000

before any extras, claimed that the WRU had reneged on an

agreed deal.
"I had accepted their latest

offer, even though it was still some way short of the finan-

cial package being offered to players playing for Welsh clubs," he said. "I was pre-

pared to make that sacrifice to

wear the red jersey again, but

Cobner said: During the past few months we have

examined several possible

means of satisfying his

[Quinnell's] demands, the lat-

est of which was an enhanced

"All this was part of an

ongoing process which, as I

have repeatedly pointed out,

needed the sanction of the

The failure to reach agree-

ment is ultimately the result of

our inability to reconcile Scott

fundamental principles which

govern WRU activity. These

are to make every effort to

keep our best players in Wales

games, including

Quinnell's demands with two

WRU general committee.

WRU is most distressing."

### Rusedski's advance continues

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IN BRIEF

GREG RUSEDSKI continued his recent revival in form by beating Sandon Stolle, of Australia, 6-4, 6-3 to reach the quarter-finals of the Stockholm Open tennis tournament yesterday. The victory by the Canadian-born British No 2 is likely to take him back into the top 50 when the next list of world rankings is issued by the Association of Termis Professionals (ATP) on Monday.
Rusedski, who last month reached the semi-finals of a

tournament in Singapore and then won in Beijing, has reached the quarter-finals or beyond in nine ATP Tour events this year. He reached the last eight in Adelaide, San Jose. Seoul and Bournemouth and was knocked out in the semi-finals in Sydney and Nottingham.

#### Captain chosen By Our Sports Staff

Golf: Pia Nilsson, 38, from Sweden, has been appointed to succeed Mickey Walker as the Europe Solheim Cup captain. Nilsson, who was Walker's vice-captain for the match against the United States at St Pierre, Chepstow, this year is the Swedish Golf Federation's head of coaching and was the obvious successor once Walker, in charge since the inaugural Solheim Cup in 1990. decided to retire. The next match is scheduled to be played at Muirfield Village.

#### make any promises to Scott Quinnell, or his agent, regard-ing remuneration. Various McRae's charge

Motor rallying: Colin McRae. the 1995 world champion, won the Catalonia Rally yesterday to take the runners-up spot in the final overall standings for this season. McRae turned a three-second overnight deficit on his Subaru team-mate. Oiero Liatti, of Italy, into a convincing triumph by seven seconds, overtaking his former team-mate, Carlos Sainz. in the overall standings. Tommi Makinen, of Finland, the new world champion, could finish only fifth.

Autissier leads

Sailing: Isabelle Autissier, of France, leads the Vendée Globe non-stop single-handed round-the-world race after four days, with Pete Goss, of eighth place after encountering trouble with his power supply overnight. Goss is heading due south down the Portuguese coast after rounding Cape Finisterre.

Cricket: India beat South Africa by 35 runs yesterday to win the Titan Cup triangular tournament in Bombay. Chasing a modest India total of 220 for seven from 50 overs, South Africa were all out for 185 in 47.2 overs, Anil Kumble , the leg spinner, claiming four

### **RUGBY UNION**

# Campese is dropped for Murrayfield

David Campese, respectively Scotland's and Australia's most capped internationals, have both been dropped for the international match at Murrayfield on Saturday. Neither omission is unexpected. Each has a place on the

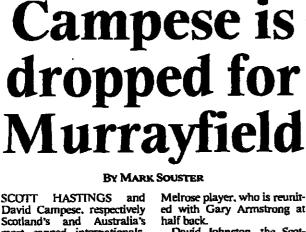
The absence of Hastings, who has 62 caps, is due to the recall of Craig Chalmers at stand-off half and the need to accommodate Gregor Townsend, the new captain, at outside centre, Campese, who won his 100th cap in Italy last month, is replaced by Joe Roff. There is also one new cap in

#### TEAMS

Termony), U Prinox (Australian Capital Termony), S Payne (New South Wales): R Harry (New South Wales), M Folary (Oucensland), A Blades (New South Wales), O Finegan (Australian Capital Termony), W Waugh (New South Wales), J Faster (Chaeneland, Capital), D William

each of the sides named yesterday. Murray Wallace is at blind-side flanker for Scotland, while Andrew Blades makes his debut at tight-head prop for the Australians.

There is no doubt that Townsend would have preferred to stay at No 10, the position that he had made his own last season at Chalmers's expense, as Scotland, not always successfully, flirted with a more expansive style. He certainly has not given up hope of returning there but, for now, the pendulum has



ed with Gary Armstrong at half back. David Johnston, the Scotland backs coach, said Chalmers's game had

changed "dramatically" over the past 12 months. His ability to control a game and bring into play those around him has counted more than Townsend's individual brilliance. which would be better suited to the midfield, where the Scots have lacked penetration. We are trying to offer a

threat across the whole back division and ask questions of the opposition in every area of the field," Johnston said. In the absence of the injured

Rob Wainwright, Murray Wallace's promotion, after an excellent performance for Scotland A against the touring team last week, is a reward for persistence. Since performing well on Scotland's tour to the South Seas in 1993 his career has been interrupted by a succession of injuries.

nature and his inclusion along with Ian Smith in the back row suggests that Scotland will be looking for quick ball Ronnie Eriksson partners

Townsend, and he and Barry Stewart, the tight-head prop. make their Murrayfield de buts after winning their first caps in New Zealand, Kevin McKenzie confirmed his fitness playing against Harlequins at the weekend and his selection was automatic.

Apart from Campese, Australia have also dropped George Gregan and Andrew Heath from the side that beat Italy in Padua 40-18. Gregan. who has been injured, loses out to Sam Payne, of New South Wales, while Warwick Waugh and Owen Finegan are also included after joining the tour as replacements.

Herbert and Howard are at centre with Tim Horan on the right wing, and Roff, who impressed in the victory over the Scottish Districts on Tuesday night, on the left. Daniel Manu is at No 8 because of injury to Michael Brial.



### French Barbarians turn on the style

French Barbarians ..... 76

By JOHN HOPKINS

THE French Barbarians brought a sense of Gallic style and some well-known players to Cambridge but failed to run up 100 points, which would have been symmetrical since their presence was to celebrate 100 years of Cambridge rugby at Grange Road. Jean-Pierre Rives, a vicepresident of the French Bar-

parians, was there, his blond hair very windblown. So was a more portly Serge Blanco, who helped the visitors to warm up. The team, whose colours incorporate the blue of Oxford and that of Cambridge, was never in danger of losing to the university but Cambridge, hit by an inordinate number of injuries this term, showed that their for-

Cambridge University .41 Richard Bramley scored two caught the eye even when he who was carried off on a tries in eight minutes. It is less important for

Cambridge that the French Barbarians scored 12 tries than it is that they scored seven themselves. There was one penalty try each, though no penalties. Richard Elliott worried away at halfback and Russell Earnshaw thrust himself into the thick of things again and again. This Blue

did not have the ball because. of the brightness of his white boots.

There were several cameos that spoke volumes for the spirit of the visitors, some of whom seemed more Barbarian than the Barbarians. There was, for example, the sight of Marc Cecillon being the first player back to commiserate with Iestyn Lewis,

DETAILS

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by A Green (St. John's, 42)
FRENCH BARBARIANS: F Corrilons (Grenoble), A Bouyssie Begles-Bordeau, G
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Lutamand (Bougon); L Mazas (Bientz),
G Sudre (Agen), C Sodettes (Bizens), J-M
Gonzalez (Bayorne), O Lacaille (PUC), M
Libyremont (Perugnan, C Cidde (Pai), M
Cecillon (Dax), L Hamabetian (CASG), D
Adama (Racing Cub), Lattantard replaced
by M Marlang (Todousa, 55). Sudre
replaced by F Seguiar (Castres, 57).
Gonzalez replaced by F Landreau (Greroble, 63), Bouic replaced by A Whittaker
(Margan College 68)

stretcher with injured knee ligaments. Another came with the arrival of Andrew Whittaker as the last replacement for the

visitors. This was one of the more popular ones and the announcer entered into the spirit of things by naming him as "Andre Wit-a-ker" with a Gailic flourish. Nothing matched the smile of oleasure on the face of Dennis Charvet after he had given a try-scoring pass to "Wit-a-ker". On November 23, the French Barbarians will play the South Africans at Brive and one guest player will be Josh Kronfeld, the All Black flanker. There will be few of the flourishes that were shown at Grange Road but then the occasion is unlikely to be one to be celebrated with elan, as this one was,

Games like this are looked at, admired and enjoyed like French food and wine.

#### which is vital for our credibility at club and international level - and to maintain a common match fee for all

plavers who represent Wales. a common practice in professional soccer."

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#### FOR THE RECORD

#### BASKETBALL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NEA) Torquio

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Titan Cup Final

India v South Africa BOMBAY (India won toss) India beat South

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FALL OF WICKETS, 1-34, 2-43, 3-91, 4-137, 5-147, 6-153, 7-204.

Bowling de Villers 10-3-32-3; Klusaner 4-0-25-0; Donald 10-1-36-1; Symbox 10-0-42-0; Boje 10-0-51-2; Cronje 6-0-27-0

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SOUTH AFRICA

BOWLING: Smath 10-0-45-0 Presed 9-0-28-3; Kumble 8:2-0-25-4; Singh 10-1-40-3; Joshi 10-0-46-1 Umpres: S Venkataraghavan and V K Ramaswamy (both India). PERTH: Tour match (one day): West Indians 127-8; Western Australia 128-1 (R J

FOOTBALL INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Bosnie Herze-govina 2 Italy 1 (in Sarapovo).

Tuesday's late results COCA-COLA CUP: Third round, replay: Oxford United 2 Part Vale 0 NATIONWIDE LEAGUE: Third division Carditt 2 Rochdale 1. TATIVE MATCH: Unibond

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LEAGUE OF WALES: Sarry Town 4 Briton Ferry 0: Lansardfrad 2 Welshpool 0-Bargor Cry 1 Cornain's Quay 1
LONDON: FA CHALLENGE CUP: First round: Duwich Hemiet 2 Met Police 1 SCREWRX DIRECT LEAGUE: Premier division: Bridgwater 3 Chard 3 Odd Down 7 Calne 2 Postponed: Bristol Mainor Farm Therton.

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Hoddesdon 8 Militan Keynas 0; Blogleswade 0 Harpenden 2; Potters Ber 2
Leichworth 2

FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Northampton Town () Chelsea 5
FRENCH LEAGUE: Marseile 3 Monaco 1. SPANISH CUP: Second round, first leg: Osasuna 1 Real Sociedad 0 ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: River 3 Colon 0: SCHOOLS MATCH: Repton 0 Derby 2

HOCKEY AEWHA CUP: Third-round draw: Aldridge y Silingham, Advilord (Kent) v Cheam, Bal-sem Lexester v Hendon, Bedford v Leylam Xiolors; Bestops Startard v Staines Blushans v Madenhead, Bradwell v Sher Greys; Doncaster v Bury St Edmonds; Eastcote v Esing; Guiddord v Kettering, Harborne v Whitley Bay; Heriestone Magpres v
Sunbury Horstonn v Höghtown; Ipswich v
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Broom Bover Cowley v Trapans; Slough v
North Steffs, Sunderland Bedans v Southgate; Sutton Coldfield v Ermouth; Welwyn
Garden City v Famborough, West Witney v
Chelmsford, Winchester v Exeter; Winchmore Hill v Bude; Wolking v Newcastle

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ICE HOCKEY 

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First nt Amenal v Chaises (2.0) FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Birrenghern v Boldmare St M. SCHOOLS MATCHES: London Cup: Esser v Kent (& Glousster Bowl), Inter-county: Under-18: Dorset v Hampshee (at

OTHER SPORT BASKETBALL: 7UP Trophy: Shettiekt v Leicester (7.45); Leoperds v Thames Valley EUROPEAN LEAGUE: Division A: Berlin 6 Manchester 1. MOTOR RALLYING

CATALONIA RALLY: Leading final post-lons: 1. C McRee (GB. Subaru Impreza) 4th 14min 20scc, 2, P Lath (B. Subaru Impreza) 4th 14min 20scc, 2, P Lath (B. Subaru Impreza) 14 7sec: 3, B Thray (Bet Ford Escort Cosworth) Imin 18sec; 4, F Look (Bet, Tayota Ceica GTA) 135; 5, I Malonen-Fin, Metubetin, Lancer) 152. Final world championship positions: Drivers. 1, Malonen 12opts, 2 McRee 92; 3, C Sanz (Sp) 83.

NOEL BRUCE CUP Public schools did bays doubles characteristics: Second round: Rugby br Mettoscupt it 15-11; 13-15, 15-12, 15-10; Etcn Lts Calton B 15-1,

13-15, 15-12, 16-10; Etch 1 bt Catton B 15-1, 15-7, 15-8; Torbindge I b Hearow B 15-11, 6-15, 16-13, 15-9; Torbindge I b Hearow B 15-11, 6-15, 16-12, 15-9; Torbindge I b Weinington II 15-12, 15-0, 15-8; Markerraugh I bt Weinington II 15-17, 15-5, 15-8, 15-9; Meilington I bt Haleybury P 15-3, 15-2, 15-2; Weilington I bt Haleybury P 15-3, 15-2, 15-2; Chartestinels; Etch I bt Rugby 15-11, 15-6, 13-2 ret; Torbindge I bt Torbindge II 16-4, 6-15, 15-9, 15-4; Meilington I bt Haleybury I 15-3, 15-0, 15-2; Weilington I bt Mailyeun I 15-11; 15-8, 15-2; Semi-linels; Etch I bt Torbindge I 15-4; Meilington I bt Haleybury I 15-13, 15-8, 15-2; Semi-linels; Etch I bt Torbindge I 15-8, 15-2; Semi-linels; Etch I bt Torbindge I 15-8, 15-15, 15-9, 15-13, 15-10, 15-9, 13-18, 7-15, 15-9, 15-13.

RACKETS

RUGBY UNION TOUR MATCHES: Scripph District Select XV 9 Australia 25, Rosario (Arg) 38 South Africa XV 45; Cambridge University 41 French Berberlans 78. CUIS MATCH: Gloucester 32 Corribined Services 7 SCHOOLS MATCH: Royal School, 17 Organization Brothers, Cork.

TENNIS

Holl bit S Lareau (Carl) 6-4, 6-4, F Clauser (Stat th Dispare (Aus) 6-4, 6-4, G Hantseau (Corl) bit J Vecak (Cat) 6-4, 7-6, U Princell (Cer) bit K Vecak (Cat) 6-4, 7-6, U Princell (Cer) bit K Vecak (Ext) Reseau 7-6, 5-7, 8-2, O Brien bit G Forget (Fr) 7-6, 7-6, T Martio (US) bit J Statemony (Aus) 6-3, 5-7, 6-3, G Ausockel (CB) bit J Statements, Photil 6-4, 6-7, 8-2, R Riemberg (US) bit A Bostock (Fr) 6-3, 6-3

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STOCK-HOLM: Man's tournament (Swandar utilises stated): First round: M Normarcht (S. G. Schaller (Austral) 7-6, 6-1; P. Frederieson bt G. Racux (Fr) 6-4, 6-4, T. Johansson bt P. Hearhuis (Hol) 6-2, 6-2, A. Rackitescu (Ger) bt A Costs (Sc) 7-5, 6-4; C. Woodnull (IS) 6-1, bt A Costs (Sc) 7-5, 6-4, A Boetsch (Fr) bt M Lansson 6-1, 6-4, N Nullibit S Editory 7-6, 6-3
SANTIAGO: Man's tournament: First round: H Gurry (Arg) bt M Charpertey (Arg) 6-2, 6-1; E Alvarez (So) bt R Jobels (Br) 6-1, 6-4; N Laberti (Ecu) bt G Marious (Arg) 6-1, 6-4; N Laberti (Ecu) bt G Marious (Arg) 6-4, 6-4, O Gross (Ger) bt N Rochiguez

(Arg) 5-7. 6-4, 6-3: F Meligeni (Br) bt F Santoro (Fr) 6-3, 6-3; A Hernandsiz (Mex) bt S Corfez (Chiel 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; G Stberstein (Chiel) bt D Det Flo (Arg) 6-3, 6-3; A Barassiegui (Sp) bt G Kluerten (Br) 6-3, 6-2; M Filippini (Uru) bt G Solves (Fr) 6-4, 3-6; 7-5; J Diaz (Sp) bt L Amold (Arg) 6-4, 6-4; L A Morejon (Ecu) bt N Pereira (Veri) 6-4, 8-4; P. Campana (Ecu) bt F Squillari (Arg) 6-1; 6-1.

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Speedway: Leading teams will race in a new Elite League next season. The decision will bring about a three-tier system including the Elite League. Premier League and Conference League.

# Fallon fined £1,500 for misleading the Jockey Club

KIEREN FALLON, the jockey, was yesterday fined £1,500 after he was adjudged to have misled Jockey Club stewards at an official inquiry four months ago. Fallon, whose disciplinary record is among the worst in the weighing room, was sanctioned after the club's disciplinary committee was not satisfied with his explanation for failing to attend an inquiry on July 11. He went on to ride at Folkestone later that afternoon.

At a rearranged inquiry eight days later, the jockey maintained heavy early-morning traffic forced him to miss the hearing. But he was banned from riding for five days for making "insufficient effort to attend or notify the disciplinary committee of his whereabouts". He was also fined £500 for 'twice riding with irregularities in his medical records.

The Jockey Club has since unearthed "further information" of Fallon's movements on July 10. To judge by the size of the fine, the disciplinary committee took a dim view of Fallon's version of events. He was yesterday deemed to be in breach of Rule 220 (viii), which makes it an offence to deliberately mislead Jockey Club stewards. However, the stewards accepted that Fallon, 31, missed 14 days' racing this

was not in a car stopped by police at 2.40 on the morning he was originally expected at Portman Square.

Failon's latest transgression comes at a delicate time. After a successful two-year affiliation with Lynda Ramdsen, the Thirsk trainer, he was three months ago appointed stable jockey to the powerful Henry Cecil stable with effect from the start of next season. He has since spoken of his desire to reform his disdainful view of authority.

#### HICHARD EVANS

(3.20 Market Rasen) Next best: Lawn Lothario (2.10 Musselburgh)

While there is no doubting Fallon's ability in the saddle, this was his twelfth breach of the Rules in the last two years. After a clash with fellow jockey Stuart Webster in 1994, he was banned from riding worldwide for six months for "violent and improper conduct". Earlier this year, Fallon was suspended for a day for "kicking and punching a jockey" when riding in India. All told, the Irish-born jockey

season for a variety of riding offences.

Shaamit, the Derby winner, is to stand at the National Stud in Newmarket. His owner. Khalifa Dasmal, turned down offers for the colt from Japan, where the last five Epsom winners stand, to support racing in Britain.

There were a number of studs interested in Shaamis and there have been offers from Japan, Mark Crossman, Dasmal's adviser, said yesterday. "But we decided that the National Stud was the best option. Shaamit is a British-bred horse and the National Stud is the traditional British stallion station, so we think they will do the best job with him."

Shaamit will be the first Derby winner to stand at the stud since Mill Reef, who died in 1986. The son of Mtoto failed to win after Epsom and was retired because of an injury sustained in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp last month. His fee has been set at £7,500, with his book of mares likely to be restricted to around forty.

Dr Leunt, trained by Philip

Hobbs, in the Tote Silver

Trophy at Chepstow on

Tony McCoy has been booked to ride the well-backed his fences well, showing an instinct

Pair Of Jacks survives a last-flight bhinder to win the Mirror Select Conditional Jockeys' Claiming Hurdle at Kempton yesterday

THE impression that David Nicholson's equine cellars are well stocked with novice chasers was endorsed at Kempton yesterday when Baronet successfully graduated to the larger obstacles in the Johnsons Interna-tional Novices Steeplechase over three miles (Julian Muscat writes). Baroner's jumping was far from flamboyant. Instead, he measured

prospects in the novice ranks are bright Indeed, the biggest problem for Nicholson, who has more than 90 for self-preservation which will serve him well in the stiffer tests ahead, horses at his Jackdaws Castle base, although Nicholson intimated that may be keeping his novices apart. the six-year-old will be kept away

from the limelight in the immediate

flashy," the trainer said. "It took me

all last season to find his ground and trip, now he is confirming his

promise." Owned by Patricia Thomp-

son, better known as joint-proprietor

of Cheveley Park Stud, Baronet's

"He would never do anything

Pharanear, Potter's Bay, Shankar and What's Your Story are long on potential, as is Mulligan, a recent expensive import from Ireland. And Relkeel, plagued by injury but now sound again, may yet forsake a return to hurdling in favour of chasing. Billygoat Gruff, the stable's princi-

pal hope for the Hennessy Gold Cup at Newbury, is to prep for that race at Worcester next Wednesday. The grey, on 9st 12lb in the weights published yesterday, features prominently in Coral's ante-post book. He is 10-1,

Monk. Jodami heads the handicap on 12 stone but is unlikely to line up. Dublin Flyer, who disappointed in the Gold Cup at Cheltenham in March, is expected to shoulder 12 stone in the Murphy's Gold Cup at Cheltenham on Saturday week. Yet of 31 entrants, only Big Matt. a fine second to Storm Alert at Ascot last Saturday, is preferred in Coral's early list. The firm's opening prices are 5-1 Big Matt. 6-1 Dublin Flyer, 7-1 Anabatic, 8-1 Absalom's Lady and Addington Boy. 10-1 others.

MUSSELBURGH 1.10 Broughton's Pride 2.40 Pip's Dream 3.10 Arlen Spirit 3.40 Great Child 1.40 Enchantica '2.10 LAWN LOTHARIO (nep)

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.40 GREAT CHILD. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.10 Forcing Bid. 3.40 GREAT CHILD (nap). 4.10 Absolute Magic.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SOFT IN PLACES) TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

1.10 LADBROKE ON-COURSE HANDICAP

(Div I: £3,160: 1m 16yd) (14 runners) 

1995: BEST OF ALL 7-9-11 J Carroll (33-1) J Berry 14 ran

IONISCHIP BOY 21 3nd of 18 to Polly Produce in Indicate at Resear (7f. good to Firm), MORTHERN tendests at Rotengham (1m good) with TAEL OF SILVER (11b better off) 241 6th and KAZZAIERA (1b better off) exist for with SPRETURG DANN beat Prepares neck in 21-moner agrowable handless at Rotengham (1m 10, good KAZZAIERA 1%1 and neck 3rd of 19 to highs to Dawn in handless at threaster (1m 10, good to firm) BEST OF ALL bead 3rd of 18 to Pharmacy in 1m BORGATION'S PRODE neck and 1%1 3rd of 28 to Persian Fayar in handless at threater (1m 10, good to firm) BEST OF ALL bead 3rd of 18 to Pharmacy in 1m BORGATION'S PRODE

DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

1.40 DRYBURN SELLING NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £2.840, 5f) (11 numbers)

|   | 281                   | (3)  | 223433  | ENCHANTICA 9 (Nas 8 Arcell) J Berry 9-7                                 | 90 |  |  |
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|   | Π.                    | (1)  | 453023  | TRANSPER'S SUMPRISE 49 (D,G) (Classic Record) J Building 9-0 J Familing | 98 |  |  |
|   | 723                   | 199  | 0011060 | IMPERIAL GARDEN 19 (D,G) (r. Yhikanson) P Haslam 6-13 J Fortune         | 92 |  |  |
|   | 10-1                  | 17)  |         | WALTE TIME 19 (3) Summit Mest L Permit 8-13 I Wester                    | 86 |  |  |
|   | .05                   | (11) |         | LE SHUTTLE 17 (25 8 Brain) M Tomplans 8-11                              |    |  |  |
|   | 306                   | (3)  | 263043  | FEARLESS CAVALLER 9 (Times # s) R Hedenstead 8-8                        | 97 |  |  |
| • | 207                   | (£)  | 530050  | THE WIFE CHITCHE 17 (5) (C Wingh) G Oldroyd 8-3                         | 86 |  |  |
|   | .03                   | (10) | 060     | JAY TEE EF 33 (B) (J Fretheett 9 McMatron 8-1                           | 80 |  |  |
|   | T)                    | [4i  | 006000  | RISING GLORY 3 (B) (J Lammarcan) Mass J Cross 8-1 P Ressay (5)          | 82 |  |  |
|   | 10                    | (6)  | 633500  | FACE IT 49 (Facebook Partners) NY G M Turner 7-12 L Charmock            | 89 |  |  |
|   | .11                   | 15.  | 660000  | CANTS AYMONT 30 (N Gratum) R Mainster 7-10 J McAuley (7)                | 90 |  |  |
|   | Land and American 197 |      |         |                                                                         |    |  |  |

Long bandscap, Cartagogan 7-5 BETTING 9-4 Encharbos, 7-2 Februss Cardier 9-2 Le Shable 6-1 Turier's Surprise, 8-1 Imperel Garden, 12-1 1904: IND CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

2.10 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND RATING RELATED MAIDEN

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Kutta backed

KUTTA was well backed yesterday for the Tote Credit November Handicap at Doncaster on Saturday. The four-year-old is now 4-1 favourite, from 5-1, for the last big handicap of the Flat season with William Hill and Ladbrokes. Coral has Kutta to 9-2 from 6-1.

2.40 GIFFORD WATER FILLIES HANDICAP

(£2,814: 1m 4f 31yd) (13 runners)

1995: LA BRIEF 3-7-7 & Bardwell (14-1) M Ryan 14 mm FORM FOCUS

RASAYE, next and 1/41 3rd of 13 to Typhoco Fishs in handloop at Catlerick (1m 41, cood), PIP'S YOURS 44 (4th of 17 to Shareta in handloop at DREAM short-head and 1/41 3rd of 16 to in The Manney in handscap at Latestar (1m 41, cood to form). DUMPROWAN best My Miller I fo 16-turner selftop making at Restar (10 31, firm), MISS PRISM 61 2nd of 12 to Los Alarmos in rating related.

3.10 MUSSELBURGH NOVEMBER HANDICAP (£3,599: 1m 7f 16yd) (17 runners)

BETTING: 5-1 Augus Spinit 6-1 Los Atamos, 8-1 Augusary Sea View, 9-1 lots, 10-1 Arc Ol The Diver, 12-1 Euroheist, 14-1 others

1995: MERIT 9-1 ( Quan (5-1) P Calo 16 ran FORM FOCUS

LATMAN best Tramped SI in 6-custer claimer at Carticle (fin 44, good). ANGLESSY SEA VIEW 41 Sah off S1 to Backwords: he handican at Hottligham (2nr. good) with HIGHFIELD FIZZ (fin words off) at 10th and NR SPECILLATUR (2b better off) 31 titls and NR SPECILLATUR (2b better off) 31 that LDS ALAMOS best Miss. Plans 16 in 12-custer stating related states at Caterick (fin 61, good). APAM SPERT SI 68 th 27 to Leptota at handicap at Hamilton (fin 44, good is soft) and continued to the pools are soft of 50 th 27 to Leptota at handicap at Portelesst (2nr 27, good). IOTA 53 3rd Selection: LATMAN

3.40 European Breeders Fund Maiden Stakes (2-Y-0: £3,583: 1m 16yd) (8 numers)

1995: SANTELLAKA 9-0 ( Deton (2-5 tax) J Gosdeo & cas FORM FOCUS

DOC RYAN'S 314 6th of 9 to Countains in models at Yammouth (71, good to firm) FREEDOM OF TRIOY 13 6th of 9 to All MacSon in models at Catacrick (81, good) GREAT CHILD 644 flav of 12 to Suptamore in makins at Donaster (71, good). URATHORING REBEL 14, 204 of 16 to Hoodsaph in makins at Hamilton at Hamilton (1se 65yd, good to 1 Selection: WELLAK)

4.10 LADBROKE ON-COURSE HANDICAP

(Div If £3,144: 1m 16yd) (14 numers)

BETTING: 5-1 Absolute Magic, 6-1 Lady Joshus, 7-1 Yeornan Oliver, Brackere Gold, 6-1 Magic Asifheid, 10-1 Another Hightrago, Midder Westsound 12-1 others.

1995: NO CORRESPONDING DIVISION FORM FOCUS

ABSOLUTE MARIC best Just Milite 19/1 in 20numer handicap at Yarmouth (77, good). LADY
JOSHUA neck and 4f 3nd of 8 in Free Detail in
mandern at formariset (in 4f good to firm). Y50MAN OLDRE 19-1 and at 19 to Fourit Came in
claimer at Letizater (im, good) to SROCTINE
GOLD 3 and neck 3nd of 12 to Ecosyny in claimer
at Ayr (im, good to firm) MASTER MILLIFELD 3
3nd of 11 to South Sea Butbole in rating related.

Haydock Park 1,45 (2m. 4f hole) -1, Pelosanto (Mr A Farrent, 2-5 lav); 2, Trade Wind (3-1); 3, 2p Your Lip (15-2), 3 ran. NR Confarder. 10, 291 M Rips. Totar £1.40. DF: £1.20. CSF. £1.88. 3.15 (2m Hdfe) 1, Chal-Yo (G Upon, 5-2 lev); 2: Saint Cel (7-1); 3, Lord McMurrough (5-1); 6 ran, 2l, 3l, J Old Toter 23,00; (2-20, 02-90, 05: 5-17-40. 3.45 (3m ch) 1, Impertal Vintage (N Williamson, 100-30); 2, Monymoss (5-1); 3, Royal Pans (12-1); Walsey Wonder B-13 fav (sol); 5 san. 1%1, dist. Miss venetia Williams, Toter 22,90; 22,40, 63,00. DF: 67.20 (255, 627.30.

6 : 0 FRIST GALLERY 198 H House o-7 -300 E DORIA 19 A Hide 8-9 - 1 4.16 (2m flat race) 1, Marello (G Cahil, 4-11 lay); 2, Country Orchid (8-1); 3, Hurst Pyer (16-1); 8 fan. Nrth Gabrielle Gerard, 1%1, sh hd. Mrs M Reveley, Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £1.90, £2.30. DF £3.30, Trio. £28.60, CSF £5.37.

Kempton Park Going: good
1.35 (2m 5l hole) 1, Millenstord (J R Kavensch, 11-2); 2, Ouall (7-2); 3, Mountain Peth (11-2) Spring Double 2-1 lav. 11 ran. NR Destra, 31,243. N Gasselen. Tols: £2.70; £250, £150, £2,50 DF£14.00. Trie: £34.50. CSF-£24.53.

2.05 (3m ch) 1, Baronet (A Maggire, 8-13 lay); 2, Castle Chief (4-1); 3, Ourounfellow (5-1), 5 ran 7, 8f. D Nicholson, Totar 1.70, £1.20, £1.60, DF: £2.30, CSF 23.55.

3.05 (3m ch) 1, Drumcullen (C O'Dwyer, 4-1); 2, Paper Star (33-1); 3, Funchson Gale (9-2), Master Orchestra 9-4 fav (pu), 7 ran (2, 31 K Balley, Toter 14-20; 21-80, 25-30 DF- 284-40. CSF- 276-90. 2.35 (2m 4f 110yd ch) 1, Fine Thyme (M A Fitzperald, 6-5 lavi; 2, Mystic Isle (9-1); 3, Sunset And Vine (20-1); 8 ran. NR: The Wayward Bishop, Dist, dist. G Henvood. Tota: 22.30; 21.40, 82.10, 83.00. DF 210.50, Tho: 860.60, CSF: £11.60 4.05 (3m 110yd hdie) 1, Ocean Hawk (C Llewellyn, 9-4 tay); 2, Feldringe (14-1); 3, Olympian (7-1), 9 ran 131, 61 N Twiston-Davies, Tota: £3.50; £1.70, £3.60; £2.30. DF: £59.70. Too: £83.10 CSF: £32.59 Tricast £188.44.

Placepot: £228.80. Quedpot: £81.50. Newton Abbot

Going: heavy 1.25 (3m 3t hole) 1, Kendal Ceveller (B Fenton, 15-8 lav); 2, Denleso's Profiles 9-4); 3, Bremblefell Buck (6-1), 11 ren Hd, 25, G Balding, Tolé, 52,50; £1,10, £1,80, £2,20,.DF £4,40, Tric: £7,00, CSF £8,53 1.55 (2m 11 hdie) 1, Royal Standard (D Finnegan, 15-2); 2, Alice's Marror (7-1); 3. Glowing Path (7-4 tay); 11 ran; NF: Nordic Crown, 281, 14; P. Rich, Tote, 214.60; 52.70; 52.20; 51.10; DF 538.50; Trio. 647.00 CSP 557.95; Tricast \$124.30. 2.25 (2m 6f 110yd: ctt) 1, Punters Overhead (A P McCoy, 2-1 tav); 2, Super Con (100-30); 3, Amber Spark (7-1), 13 ran 2, 3kl P Netroits, Tota: 52.70; 52.00, 51.10; 62.10, DF 64.80, Trio 525.70, CSF: 59.53. 2.55 (2m 6f hole) 1, Saymourswift (R Dunwood), 11-1); 2, Mr Collon Socies (11-4); 3, One For Navigation (8-11 lav) 14 can. Sh hol, dist. D Gandolfo. Tota: 21.290; 22.50. £1 30. £1 30. DF £16.20 This £10.00. CSF: £42.15.

3.25 (2m. 1f holis) 1. Mouse Bird (R Dunecody, 7-2); 2. Moustock (4-1); 3. Cadougold (3-1 fev), 6 ran NR: Lechendara, 7L sh hd. D Gandolfo, Tota: -23 Ob; 52-10, £1.70. DF: £5.60; CSF: £17.28. 17.29.
3.56 (3m 2f 110yd ch) 1. Bond Jnr (A P McCoy, 5-5 tax); 2, Rocky Park (5-1); 3, Snangarpia (6-1); 6 ran. Nft. Chief Rager 9, 244 P Nichols, Tote 11.60; 21.40, 52.80, DP: 55.50. CSF: 20.52 2-20 DF 2530 CSF 1032 4-25 (2n 1) flat race) 1. Ultimate Smoothis (G Bradley, 7-1); 2; Lord Foley (9-1), 3, Nory Coaster (9-4 lev) 14 ran, htt: Prictier's Leap, Michas. 174, 194, M Pice, Tose 24 00, 52 40, 53.50, 51.90, DF: 5128 to 1740, 5106.90, CSF, 887.35, Jackpot 229,554.50.

Jackpot: \$29,554.50. Placepol: 28.80. Quadpot: \$4.50. . BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Lingfeld Paris 1.00 Areish. 2.00 State Factors. Museeburgh: 1.10 Teel Ot Silver, 1.40 Jay Tee Er, Rising Glory 12.30 Another Batchworth, 1.00 Woodbury Lad. 1.30 Loki. 2.00 Kilcullen Lad. 2.30 Cheeky Chappy. 3.00 Belzao. 3.30 Desert Invader, 4.00 Mister

Going: Standard ... Draw: 5F-7F, Low Best ...

1 1040 LFT BOY 51 (CDL-G) A Moore 7-9-12 Centry is 2 5007 RAMSEY HOPE 19 (V.D.F.G) C Ferminal 3-9-9 J 2 2112 AROTHER BOTCHMORTH 14 (B.D.F.) E Moore 4-9-7 S Wink 4 8000 KM AR 29 BL (D.F.) D Computer 7-9-6 5004 MPORT STAR 10 S (D.F.) D (B. Maccally 3-9-1 C Trans 6 0100 WHORKSH BOY 52 (D.F.) J Bodley-6-8-(BLLL) LLL1-8-34

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4 2316 COME TOOL MAMAMA'S 20 (0.5) J Berry B-11. M Roberts 3
5 2020 WULL 10 WM 15 P Meethy 8-B. S Drowne 5
6 1000 STATIESTE 41 (0.1) B Pating 8-B. S Drowne 5
7 2102 RUCKULEN AD 6 (V.C.D.F) P Mooray 8-5 D R Miccobe 2
8 6420 MELDOLFREE PRINCESS 49 R Wahater 8-3 F Rodon 6
9 6005 SPANKERIS EDGE 8 67 C Dayer 8-1 Jo Homen (7) 10
10 604 SOUTE ADDITION 17 C Horges 7-10. M IN Adams 8
3-1 Basella 7-2 Kilcoller Led, 9-2 Come Too Manavar's, 5-1 Spetting Edge, 7-1
Freiland, 10-1 Soler Addition, 12-1 others

**2.30 TAURUS HANDICAP (Div 8: £2,663: 51) (10)** 2 4043 BMOCATION 10 (C.F.S) A Moore 9-8-9 S Senters 6
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7 0300 RISSING 19 G Levis 3-8-10 A Whitel (3) 1
8 0055 MICHART COURE 148 B Pearon 3-8-9 S Droven-3
9 0250 G LA 105H 19 (D.G.) Berry 3-8-8 P Roberts (5) 5
10 0330 MISTER RADGET 45 (C.G) E Wheeler 4-8-6 A Daly (5) 9

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3.30 GEMUNI HANDICAP (£4,159: 71) (16)

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4 0140 AUTURN DOMR 33 (7) P Hedge 4-9-9 ... D Bogs 4

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8 24-1 CARCL'S DREAM 223 (C.S.) J Hebs 49-6 ... M Henry (3) 9

9 0000 MOLCANNED 34 (DJ.F.6.) E Piezre 3-9-6 ... D R McCabe 12

10 6520 DESERT REVACER 19 (D.G.5.) D Chapters 5-9 3 ... T Caim 3

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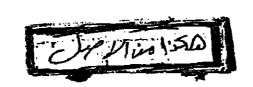
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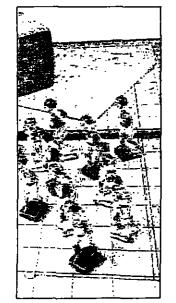
# Treasuring football's heritage

nirs should be Olympic event. Sports enthusiasts in their millions are nuts about collecting, hearding and poring over mementoes of past triumphs and forgotten heroes. They are tremendously competitive, sometimes paying a fortune for the most unlikely sporting tokens and, to the despair of many a wife. they rarely throw anything

It is big business with leading auctioneers such as Christie's, Sotheby's and Phillips holding regular sales of sporting memorabilia in Great Britain and New York. where they have often been known to break all records.

Earlier this year in New York, \$500,000 was paid for a baseball. It seemed amazing, even given that this was the hall that Eddie Murray struck to register his 500th home run. and it set a new high for prices paid for chunks of sporting history.

Even Christie's sporting memorabilia expert, Donald Flanagan, was amazed. He



The first table football game, launched in 1884

reckoned the ball was worth \$15,000 at best. But there is no accounting for the obsession of the addictive collector. In the wonderously-detailed Wisden Book of Cricket Memorabilia, John Arlott described the condition of "cricketomania". which he says is incurable though not often fatal.

"All the sufferers," he pointand to discuss their own collections almost endlessly." Ariott confessed that his own addiction began in childhood with the collection of cigarette cards and autographs.

The men who manipulate the collectibles market know that the affliction can begin with the small and cheap memento. While records are being set at the top end of the market in the United States. publications such as Baseball Weekly carry endless columns of junk "sporting collectibles" for sale, and full-page advertisements offer you baseballs signed by pitcher Nolan Ryan

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In Britain, football memoraof Football" that will be certain bilia is the big growth area. Christie's now holds an annuto have the football collector's mouth watering. al sale of football memorabilia The Fifa Museum Collec-

LONDON:

in Glasgow and Fifa has just

brought out a lavishly illus-

trated history of "1.000 years

**WORD-WATCHING** 

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(said of a rabbit) to yelp. "If the Hound stick well upon the scent. then let him hold him short for fear that he lapist (that is open)."

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(c) Gentle, mild: tame, not wild or fierce. From the Latin

mansueurs, past participle of mansuescere to tame, from manus a hand + suescere to accustom. "He kept this fish in a pond, and delighted much to feed him with his own hand, the fish being

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tion is a remarkable catalogue of football's half-forgotten heritage, and for any fan of the game it will evoke a mixture of surprise and nostalgia. The collection was assembled and documented by Harry

PRICE ONE SHILLING.

Langton, an Englishman and sometime journalist, who caught the collecting fever when his wife. Ann, gave him a print that she had bought for ive shillings in the 1950s. He went on to gather paintings and prints, balls and boots, toys and games, ceram-

ics and sculptures, until he had what will soon become the core of an international museum of football. The collection is now owned by Fifa in partnership with an American company, SPI, and

there has been something of a battle over bids to set up a museum of football, with plans up and running from Sheffield, Carlisle and Preston. However, despite rival bids. including one from France, it is almost certain that the archive will find a permanent

home at Preston North End's Deepdale ground. Bryan Gray, the club chairman, has an agreement to buy the Fifa collection for El million, and Preston has applied for a \$5.7 million lottery grant to fit out a world-class museum on the ground floor of their newlybuilt Tom Finney stand.

Preston North End were one of the founder members of the Football League in 1888, and the faces of their unbeaten team, which won the League and FA Cup double in the 1888-89 season, gaze out in triumph from an early photograph in the collection. If Preston get

An illustration of the 1888-89 Preston North End team. They were the first Football League champions and the first to do the double

How the popularity of football grew. W Pickford's 1906 book on refereeing, early female footballers on cards and the referee is mocked in song sion will be made in February) the game, might be left the museum will open early in

> At one point it was feared that the Langton archive might ship up in Paris, and that England, the home of

without this chunk of its

But Paris is now heading

down a different path. The

French, along with Fifa, are

setting up an International

Hall of Champions, and while

it might take any overspill of

the Fifa museum collection

that cannot be housed in

Preston, the Hall of Champi-

ons is being described as "an

interactive project", attractive

Watch out for an announce-

ment in the next couple of days

that the Hall of Champions

is destined for Disneyland

'n Paris or Preston, one

thing is for sure - the

Fifa collection will pro-

duce generations yet to

come with a taste for soccer

memorabilia. It is nothing

new. As soon as the world's

first football league kicked off

in 1888 an entrepreneur called

Baines began churning out

colourful printed cards, featur-

ing clubs and players and sold

Early music publishers got

in on the act, too, with songs

that poked fun at referees. And

among the items in the Fifa

collection is what is believed to

be the oldest table football

game in the world, made in

At 112 years old it has to be

the original fantasy football.

for the serious collector.

at corner shops.

Preston in 1884.

to children, rather than a

classic museum.

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A German football game from the early 20th century

The Fifa Museum Collection is available from Quintessence Books, 2 Blagdon Road, New Malden. Surrey KT3 4AD. Tel: 0181 949 6087

# A late-night peach treat

One line, plucked at random from the first episode of Craig Warner's serial about the 17th-century French dramatist, gives you the essence of the sparkling whole: "Only the poor bother to demand justice because they're so far from it, they think it still exists." This, you must agree, is a philosophical peach to make the mouth water, the more so because such fruit is not offered all that often in late-night radio drama. Beaumarchais, creator of Figaro, was also an horologist extraordinary, womaniser, secret agent, financier and much more. I only hope that Henry Goodman, who plays the eponymous jack of all trades at full pressure, will not run out of steam before the serial ends. Warner has given him a fot more to do.

Radio Lives: The Real Life of Brian. Radio 4, 7.20pm.

So much was written, and said, about Brian Redhead when he died in 1994 that it is only now his friends and colleagues can step back and jointly contribute the definitive judgment on the man, who perhaps more than any other, created the enduring style of Radio 4's Today programme. Michael Bywater's comprehensive portrait of Redhead ends with a roster of adjectives that I stopped counting when it got to 50. What other broadcaster could have topped such a total? Are they all spoken in praise of him? Judge for yourself: "He had an unassailable sense of his own worth." "To him, life was a reflection of Brian Redhead."

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5.00am Morning Reports, incl at 5.45 Wake Up to Money 6.00 The Breakfast ride, incl. at 5.45 Enta

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10.00 Musical Encounters, Haydr

Magnificat); Poulenc (Concerto for two planes)

12.00 Composer of the Week:
Percy Grainger
1.00pm News; Bel Canto Volces,
Tenor Dennis O'Neill's choice
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Callas, Rosa Ponselle, Alfredo Kraus, Edita Gruberova and Ugo Benelli (r) 2.00 Bath Mozartfest 1995. Two 2.00 Bath Mozartfeet 1995. Two pieces for string ensemble by teenage prodigies Mozart and Mendelssohn are contrested with one of Mozart's meture masterpieces. Mozart (Quintet in B flat, K174; Quintet in G minor, K516); Mendelssohn (Octet in E flat, Op 20)
3.40 The BBC Orchestrae, BBC Scotish Symphony.
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Carpenter whose guest after 7.00 is conductor. Nictolas Kraemer. Schumann (Fantasy in C. Op 131): Bach (Prelude and Fugue in D sharp minor, BWW877 48, Bk. 2); Frank Zappa (Dupree's Paradise) 7.30 BBC Symphony Orchestre. A live relay of Mahler's powerful and sombre Symphony No 6 conducted by Jir Belohlavek 9.10 Frames. Egyptian poetry 9.25 Debut. German planist Beatrice Berthold makes her Radio 3 debut performing

Radio 3 debut performing Scartatt (Sonatas in C, K159; in D minor, K84; in G, K146); Villa-Lobos (Ciclo Brasiliero) 10.00 Music Restored 10.45 Night Waves. Patrick Wright

considers the place of tre the psyche of the nation 11.30 Composers of the Week Hildegard of Bingen and Part (r)

1.00 Through the Night

### RADIO 4

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9.00 News 9,05 The Moral Maze

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10.00 News; The Hearts and
Lives of Men (FM), by Fay
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10.00 Daily Sarvice; On This Day
(LW)
10.30 Women's Hour, with Jenni
Murray

11.30 From Our Own 12.30 From Our Common Correspondent
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Foul Play. A new panel game. Simon Brett challenges crime witers to solve a

mystery 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; A Breeth of Fresh
Air, by Graeme File. When
death stalked the streets of
Paris at the time of the French

Revolution, nobody was safe
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4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope.

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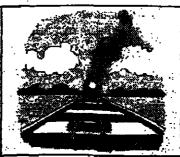
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# Arm's-length, hands-off, but still touching

The first thing to notice about Nigel Hawthorne's character in The Fragile Heart (last night, Channel 4) was that he favoured medicine as a remote, unfeeling science. It was also the secand thing you noticed about him; the third, and then the fourth.
"Manage to park all right?" Edgar asked a nervous coronary patient, neglecting any eye-to-eye nonsense and flipping officiously through his file. While his wife was a wise and gentle GP positively haloed by human feeling, Edgar operated as a heart surgeon in a cool, modernist clinic like a bank headquarters. In the theatre ("How's that motor" of yours doing?"), he wore tiny black binoculars — no doubt a boon to surgical practice, but still suggestive of a man standing as far as possible from his subject, and just peering on tiptoe at the bits he's chosen to see.

Rarely has a chap started a

disadvantage as poor old Nigel Hawthorne last night. The writer, Paula Milne, was of course responsible for that scheming reptile played by Trevor Eve in The Politician's Wife, but by comparison with the unfeeling Edgar, Eve's character at least was redeemed by his stupidity. What exquisite tortures Milne will visit on Edgar I don't know, but I have a sneaking suspicion she has thought of some-

So what is The Fragile Heart about? In last night's first episode, Edgar lost a patient under the knife; the dead man's widow threatened to expose an underhand "fee splitting" arrangement. Meanwhile he dreams each night a vivid, noisy dream about a young man chasing a train across a rud-dy desert — a dream which is yet to be explained. His daughter Nicola (Helen McCrory) is a daddy's girl ambitious bitch (also in the medidrama series at such a sympathetic cal profession), his son Daniel is a

sweet idealist who markets "telemedicine" - a futuristic form of remote, hands-off doctoring which is also, of course, The Big Symbol, in case it wasn't obvious.

Edgar is taking buckets of money to promote tele-medicine in China; he favours the hands-off approach in all things, actually, even including sexual relations with his tactile wife. When somebody mentioned a possible knighthood to him, he smiled and said "Not in my hands" - which at least shows how consistent a character can be.

n the BBC, the horribly named "IV60" season progresses well, although the gala show on Sunday was mostly depressing. As one of the television writers who nominated the shortlists, I debated for hours the small-screen achievements of great thesps such as Alec Guinness. Denholm Elliott and Alan Bates,

REVIEW



Lynne Truss

only to discover that Colin Firth. with his frilly wet shirt, was the nation's favourite.

This was a blow, I can tell you. I am always defending television on the grounds that, even if it entertains us mercilessly, at least it gives us a historical perspective. Many people wouldn't ever consider Cecil Rhodes, or haute couture in the 1920s, or the home front in the Second World War, if it weren't viewers extends back only to 1995, so clearly I've been choosing the wrong tree to bark up, as usual. Last night's TV60 contribution.

Watching the Box (BBCI), did not supply much cause for optimism. but it brought new twists to the familiar story of telly-watching in this country, so bless them for that. The famous Coronation bonanza, for example, was mainly told from the fresh perspective of a hardpressed television repairman. Other contributors were a woman who owed her life to Dr Kildare (it's a long story), two men who phone each other after EastEnders and an obsessive Sheffield teenager called Nicole who couldn't talk to the camera without watching the telly at the same time.

"If I do record something ..." Nicole began, not looking at the camera, and then dried up, ab-sorbed in Oprah Winfrey. "Hold

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12.55pm HOME AND AWAY (4358194)

1.55 A COUNTRY PRACTICE (24485281)

5.10-5.40 SHORTLAND STREET (7618113)

12.45am PLANET ROCK PROFILES (14392)

WESTCOUNTRY

1.25 CROSS WITS (39914194)

2,50-3,20 HIGH ROAD (6309129)

6.25 CENTRAL NEWS (645823)

10.40 CRIME STALKER (496991)

1.15 FUNNY BUSINESS (9958717)

1.40 NOT FADE AWAY (4580972)

3.35 THE CRIME HOUR (2944972)

1.25-1.55 CROSS WITS (39914194)

1.55 HOME AND AWAY (29168755)

2.55 A COUNTRY PRACTICE (1747945)

5.10-5.40 HOME AND AWAY (7618113)

6.00-7.00 WESTCOUNTRY LIVE (43649)

11.45 PRISONER CELL BLOCK H (887649)

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10.45 CADLE'S QUEST (881991)

11.15 POWER GAME (888804)

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1.55 SHORTLAND STREET (24485281)

6,30-7.00 ANYTHING YOU CAN DO (823)

**ANGLIA** 

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10.40 Film: DELIVERANCE (40355484)

4.30am BEYOND REASON (32779)

12.55pm CROSS WITS (4358194)

1.25 HOME AND AWAY (39914194)

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11,40 CRIME STORY (877804)

2.40 FLUX (2207137)

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12.55 EMMERDALE (4358194)

2.25 VANESSA (57409991)

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for television. But it turns out that on," she mumbled. "If I do record the historical perspective of most something..." she started again. But we never did find out what happened if Nicole recorded something. Oprah beckoned and she was powerless to resist.

Bit of a shock seeing how rich Roger Whitaker is, wasn't it? Not permitted to watch Absolutely Fabulous (some som of embargo), I watched Modern Times instead on BBC2, and found that ostentation (if not skiing) was a.common theme anyway. John Alexander's The Selling Game concerned three antiques dealers, one of whom had a special relationship with that famous whistling star. When Whitaker buys a new house, he just asks Lady Pamela Pidgeon (of Brampton House) to furnish it throughout with top-whack commodes. Not many people can afford that. Novelty whistling is clearly a lot more profitable than it looks.

Of the three quite different dealers, Lady Pamela was the most astonishing figure, because she offers a full service, like an upmarket version of John Lewis. She set-dresses the homes of parvenus, starting with an empty room. Alan Clark — who famously disparaged the sort of people (such as Michael Heseltine) who buy furniture instead of inheriting it - would run from this woman as though pursued by a swarm of bees.

But Lady Pamela can't afford to be snobby. Her belief is that you should treat people equally, because you don't know how much money they've got. Last night she furnished a new house for a wholesale tyre merchant (a sixfigure sum was involved) and just beamed proudly through her blue eyeliner at him, banned him from importing his telly into the room (he defied her, of course) and dropped the name of her business as often as she possibly could.

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ted by Anne Robinson (Ceefax) (s) (8200) 7.30 EASTENDERS Carol returns to tace the music and Tiffany prepares for her trip to Paris, bisstully unawere of Grant's hidden agenda (Ceefax) (s) (939) 8.00 ANIMAL HOSPITAL Rolf Hams reports

from Harmsworth Animal Hospital while Stove Knight spends the treekend on duty with RSPCA Inspector Jon Storey

8.30 BIRDS OF A FEATHER Dorien pancs when she thinks she is pregnant (f) (Cectax) (s) (3755) 9.00 NEWS (Cectax), regional news and

Veather (4465) 9.30 ARSOLUTELY FABULOUS The second

and final part of the story begun last night (Ceetax) (s) (833113) 10.15 THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER A compilation of the second series of the

(Ceclax) (s) (897562) 10.45 QUESTION TIME The guests include Lisa Jardine, Professor of English at Queen Mary College, London, and MPs Roy Hattersley and John Redwood (Ceetax) (863755)

award-winning comedy sports quiz

11,45 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK (1) (Ceetax) (s) (302533)

12\_20am FILM: Bagdad Cafe (1988) st Marianne Sagebrecht and C.C.H. Pounder A comedy set in a bizarre cate-motel-petrol station in the Arizona desert. Directed by Percy Adion (5636224) 1.50 WEATHER (1457330)

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Artist Shane Fistell (9.30pm)

THE MIND TRAVELLER How the artist Shane Fiste has turned Tourette's syndrome to his advantage (Ceefax) (s) (556552) 10 X 10 The life of a cow from birth to death (s) (497674)

10,30 NEWSNIGHT (Ceefax) (921262) 11,15 LATE REVIEW (s) (906113) **12.00 THE MIDNIGHT HOUR (s) (17868)** 

12.30 THE LEARNING ZONE: OU: OPEN ADVICE (76040) 1.00 THE GREAT IRON AND STEEL ROLLERCOASTER (57088) 1.30 THE CHANGING SHAPE OF THE NORTH SEA (64866) 2.00 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (81717) 4.00 NOW YOU'RE TALKING(98427) PROGRAMME (52205)

CHOICE

The Works: Minette Walters and the Missing Masterpiece BBC2, 8.00pm (Wales: 7.30pm; Scotland: tomorrow, 7.15pm)

Mineste Walters is the crime fiction writer best known for *The Sculptress*. The idea behind this film is to send Walters on the trail of a real crime and, to make it harder. panels of Van Eyck's The Adoration of the Lamb were stolen from Ghent Cathedral in Belgium. After ransom demands were made, one of the panels was recovered but the other is still missing. Walters begins her task by talking to a burglar in Winchester prison and to one of Britain's leading psychological profilers. Then she moves to Flanders, looking for clues in old churches and the storerooms of an art school. The prime storerooms of an art school. The prime-suspect, now dead, is soon identified. The main question is the location of the painting.

The Mind Traveller: Shane BBC2, 9.30pm

Continuing his world tour of malfunctioning brains, Dr Oliver Sacks arrives in Canada and introduces us to Shane Fistell. He has a neurological condition that causes sudden convulsive movements. The cause of Tourette's syndrome, named after the Frenchman who first identified it in the last century, is unknown. Liable to sit down in the middle of the road, Shane is more a danger to himself than to others. He is an engaging character, spontaneous, imaginative and funny. No wonder that Sacks regards him as a friend as well as a subject. The film follows the pair to Paris, birthplace of neurology, where Shane twirls. twitches and ticks before puzzled passers-by before losing himself in the museum of Rodin, his favourite sculptor. Karate, painting and a love of animals give Shane a respite from his condition.

The Lloyds Bank Channel 4 Film Channel 4, 9.45pm

Talent-sponers will want to watch this slot carefully over the next six weeks for the writers of these short films are all emer talents likely to go on to bigger things. They are the winners of the competition, which is in its fourth year, to find the country's best young scriptwriters. Chosen by a panel of television professionals from Gaby Roslin to Jimmy McGovern of Cracker, the six were given the chance to translate their scripts into film. Bantams, which launches the season, was voted best film of the six. It is a perceptive study of two young football supporters (Robert Easen and Kevin Knapman) whose determination to watch their favourite team, the Bantams (alias Bradford City), lands them in trouble. The writer is 24-year-old Justin Villers.

10 X 10: Happy Cow BBC2, 10.20pm

We first see Happy, a Somerset dairy cow, as she enters the world as a calf. In ten minutes of screen time the director, Liz Banks, ses the whole of Happy's life, as she is weaned, munches grass, becomes a mother, gives milk and is taken off to market to be slaughtered for the dinner table. For an animal destined for such a fate the name Happy may seem ironic. The film may win converts to vegetarianism, though this is no converts to vegetarianism, though this is no part of its agenda. Banks's intention, rather, is to present the world from a cow's viewpoint, helped by subjective camerawork from a seasoned natural history photographer. Andrew Shillabeer. The strategy is not entirely successful and by the end the film has reverted to television documentary's conventional observational mode. But it is a bold try. Peter Waymark

6.00am GMTV (1174129) 9.25 SUPERMARKET SWEEP (Teletext) (s)

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6.25 HTV NEWS (Teletext) (802007) 7.00 EMMERDALE The juture of Emmerdale Farm is finally decided (Teletext) (2228)

7.30 THE BIG STORY: Royals for Hire Dermot Mumaghan reveals how some royals trade on their titles (s) (197) B.00 THE BILL Monroe and Ackland suspect

that a series of apparently unrelated incidents across Sun Hill may be linked to the release of a psychiatric patient (2216) 8.30 IS IT LEGAL? A hate campaign

heightens Stella's paranoia (Teletext) (s)



9.00 THIEF TAKERS Donachie's past returns to haunt him when an armed robber he helped to frame for rape is released from jail and threatens his wife (Elaine Collins) (Teletext) (s) (7804) 10.00 NEWS (Teletext) and weather (35736)

10.30 REGIONAL NEWS (920620) 10.40 CRIMESTOPPERS SPECIAL The police call on local people to help solve

11.10 SHOW OF STRENGTH Profiling the Show of Strength pub theatre company 12.10am SHORT STORY CINEMA (8110595)

12.35 THE WAR OF THE WORLDS (1296392) 1.35 NOT FADE AWAY (s) (4581601) 2.35 FLUX (s) (2308137) 3.35 LATE & LOUD (r) (s) (2944972) 4.30 BEYOND REASON (r) (32779) 5.00 GARDEN CALENDAR (r) (68602)

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Mary Donachie is in danger (9.00pm

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to negotiate a satisfactory redundancy package, how to make a living as a part planner, and how to choose the right mobile phone (Teletext) (s) (3719) 8.30 DESIRE in the last of the series, husband and wife designers Suzanne Clements and Inacio Ribeiro talk about their 1997

spring-summer collection. Plus, behind-the-scenes look at the model agency Elite (Teletext) (s) (6465) 9.00 DISPATCHES A report on the nature and ettects of CS gas (Teletext) (s) (537858)



Easen and Knapman (9.45pm)

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1.40 FILM: The Cat and The Fiddle (1934, b/w) Romantic musical with Jeanette MacDonald and Ramon Novario Directed by William K. Howard (914595) 3.15-4.50 FILM: Gold Diggers of 1937 (1936, bAw) Busby Berkeley musical with Dick Powell and Joan Blondell (736750)

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Fromer captain retains his place as Rowell gambles on Catt's goalkicking

# England stay loyal to Carling

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THERE are few golden rules in rugby union, but England managed to break two of them yesterday when they named their team to play Italy at Twickenham on November 23. a match that is designed to begin a new era — of professionalism, of captaincy and of

They also failed to grasp the nettle posed by their choice of Phil de Glanville as captain. Will Carling was retained, as a partner to de Glanville at centre, despite the clear inference from Jack Rowell, the coach, that his international future was limited because he and de Glanville represent players of a similar ilk. Yet both will play in preference to

Border skirmish

Jeremy Guscott, the form centre of this season.

Missing, too, is a recognised goalkicker - a clear breach of one of those immutable truths. Moreover. Mike Catt, the player who will be first-choice kicker, is being invited to side at stand-off half with an international novice as his partner — again in defiance of established practice. This is no reflection on Andy Gomarsall, one of four new caps, but his play at scrum half will be

critical to Catt's success. Having plumped for Catt at stand-off, the selectors may just as well have gone the whole hog and picked the Bath de Gianville, Guscott and Catt - intact. Now. however, de Glanville will play with the figure of the

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Centres of attention: de Glanville, left, and Carling, the present and past England captains, prepare for action during training at Bisham Abbey yesterday. Photograph: Des Jenson

man who led England into 59 games looming alongside him. Some may say Carling wise enough not to need it.

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next summer ... it's a case of Guscott, concealing his disappointment admirably, said: "I can't say why I'm not in the side. The best thing I can do is to carry on playing as well as I can and hope opportunities will arise. I'm enjoying my rugby so much this season it's exciting, it's great to play in and great to watch; long may it continue. It's great for Bath to have so many representatives in the side - it would have been nice if I had been

"Centre was a difficult

Bisham Abbey. "Both Will

and Jerry are playing well and we have edged Will's way.

Jerry's on the bench and, considering all the work he

has put in, I don't think he

intends to stay there. He wants to play well for Bath, for

England and for the Lions

Rowell said at

there as well." However, it was made plain that the side against Italy, barring unforeseen circumstances, will go on to play the week after against the New Zealand Barbarians which, though not a full international, will be as demanding as any this season. England may get away with an inconsistent kicker against Italy (who, in the form of Diego Dominguez, are notably well blessed in that department) but they will not against a team that approximates very closely to a full All Blacks XV.

The overall selection of the back division suggests a belief that England can drop immediately into the fluid running style that has been the hallmark of Bath and Wasps for the past couple of seasons. Yet it will be surprising if they do so, however ambitious management and players are to leave the traditional, set-piecebased game associated with English rugby behind — the international arena does not allow for instant metamorphosis.

That having been said, all four of the newcomers offer tremendous potential. Tim of Newcastle, comes in at full back, Adedayo Adebayo joins his Bath colleagues for a long-awaited cap on the left wing. Gomarsall confirms his promise at half back and Simon Shaw, of TEAM

that might have been his earlier but for serious leg injuries that at one time threatened his playing career. There are six changes, seven if Catt's move from full back is counted, from the team that

completed the five nations' championship against Ireland last season. There may well be an eighth

if Mark Regan, the Bristol hooker, does not play. A chipped bone at the base of his thumb, a significant injury for the man who throws into the lineout, has kept him out of action for three weeks and the plaster is not due to be removed until next week.

Should he withdraw, Philwin his first cap and Richard Cockerill, of Leicester, will join the replacements.

against South Africa a year

ago. Brian Ashton, his club

coach, believes him to be the

best attacking player in the

country but doubts over his ability to organise and control

a game remain — even, apparently, in the mind of Rowell.

"Having picked Catt I would hope he will stay there

until Christmas at least," the

coach said. The merits of Alex

King, who is probably a more

dependable kicker than Catt, Stimpson or Carling, were

considered, as were those of

Nick Greenstock at centre, but

he must remain, for now,

among the replacements,

where there is no place for

either the Northampton

scrum half, Matthew Daw-

son, or his club partner at

stand-off, Paul Grayson,

whose 64 points propped up England's 1996 champion-

ship. How quickly sporting

fame can be erased.

One of those changes may mark the end of Rory Under-wood's international career. Few have waited longer, or been more deserving on form, than Adebayo for his debut but his introduction completes a painful transition for England's most-capped player. Underwood's hopes of being elected captain of Leicester were dashed in the summer, he was dropped from the national training squad and, last month, left out of his club's first XV. Now, for the first time in a career going back to 1984 and allowing for squad changes in World Cup years, he is omitted after 85

games and 49 tries. Catt's move to stand-off allows the long-striding Stimpson to purvey his attacking skills for the first time, despite his second division status with Newcastle. It will be Catt's third attempt at the position, after a successful flirtation against Western Sa-

£5m move for Zola booked by Chelsea By BRIAN GLANVILLE

GIANFRANCO ZOLA may become the third Italy international to sign for Chelsea. Riccardo Sogliano, the Parma general manager, is reported-ly due to travel to London mminently to do the deal for £5 million.

playing when Italy were beaten 2-1 in Sarajevo by Bosnia, the latest hiccup in a curiously ill-starred international career. Despite his outstanding gifts as ball-player, finisher and creator, Zola has never quite established himself in he national team.

During the 1994 World Cup finals in the United States. Arrigo Sacchi, the coach, did not call him on until the game against Nigeria in Boston. and then only as a substitute. Zola was quickly sent off. Last summer, in the European championship, he Germany.

Napoli, where, succeeding his idol, Diego Maradona, in the

No 10 shirt, he became a star. Parma bought him in 1993, using him in a more advanced position from which, in his first two seasons, a master of free kicks, he scored 37 goals. Parma appointed a new coach in Carlo Ancelotti and Zola was obliged to play behind the front line, which no longer suits him. He could be the perfect partner for Gianluca Vialli at Chelsea, who also

have another Italian, Roberto Di Matteo, in their midfield. Italy's defeat yesterday increased the pressure on Sacchi and there is speculation that he will not be in charge for the World Cup qualifying match against England at Wembley on Feb-

Middlesbrough are strug-gling to keep Emerson, their Brazil midfield player, who has found it difficult to settle in the North East. Emerson returned to Brazil this week and, after reports linking him with a move to Barcelona, there are rumours that he may not return to Teesside.

Viv Anderson, the Middles brough assistant manager. said: "There have been some problems but there has never been any suggestion of a walk-out. I'm going to talk to Emerson today and find out what is happening. As far as I'm aware, he'll be back on Tuesday, as expected."

### Bristol, wins the cap at lock moa during the World Cup Lawton leaves behind priceless memories of game's golden age

Brian Glanville recalls seeing perhaps

the finest England centre forward of all

forward than Tommy Lawton, who died yesterday at the age of 77? One more dangerous in the air, one more lethal on the ground? Distance, it is true. lends enchantment. He played, and scored twice, in the first professional game I ever saw as a ten-year-old: England against Scotland at

Wembley in January 1942. Stanley Matthews was on the right wing, the polymath Denis Compton on the left. The war-time forward line, usually led by Lawton, was perhaps one of the finest England has ever had, but results were unofficial. So Lawton, officially, scored 22 goals in 23 international games. No mean record, despite the fact that his best years were excluded.

England put eight goals past Scotland at Maine Road in 1943, four by Lawton, one hooked over his head while sitting on the ground. He did, in fact, score four times for England in a full international, against Portugal in Lisbon in May 1947; a game in which England finally used both Matthews and Tom Finney on the wings.

Born in Bolton in 1919, Lawton worked briefly at Walker's Tannery, like Nat Lofthouse after him, but it was to Burnley that his protective grandfather brought him as a

At 16. Lawton was in the Burnley side in the second division. He had been made to perfect his shooting by run-

ning round and round the ground, pausing and pivoting to hit all the Bs in the pitch-

side advertisement, Burnley's together. Beers Are Best. His heading he practised with the ball hanging, at different heights,

From Burnley, coveted by numerous leading clubs, Lawton moved, in December 1936. to Everton, where it was assumed that he would succeed another legendary header of the ball, Dixie Dean. Dean in fact received him

from a rope.

generously, saying: "You've come to take my place." And for a time they played

Lawton won his first cap in October 1938, at the age of 19, in the England team that lost 4-2 to Wales in Cardiff. The following April, at Hampden Park, telling himself as Matthews's perfect centre floated over: "Use your loaf, son, it's your only chance!" he headed England's winning goal against Scotland. He would be there again eight years later,

### Fellow greats pay tribute

TOM FINNEY, who played with Tommy Lawton for England, described him yesterday as "one of the greats". Finney said: Tommy was a prolific goalscorer — look at his record of 22 goals in 23 games for England. And that was despite losing his best years due to the war. Tommy will go down as the best centre forward I ever played with in the England side." Sir Stanley Matthews said:

He was one of the great centre forwards. He was sharp and, if he had a chance in the goalmouth, you could guarantee. before you blinked, that it would be in the back of the net."

reflected that, if he could play for England, he could die for England, but found himself, like many leading footballers, in the Army Physical Training Corps, playing for England ---and for Aldershot.

In 1945, Everton sold Lawton to Chelsea for £11,500 and he played in their sensational game against Moscow Dynamo, when he headed a typicalspectacular goal in a 3-3 draw. Lawton went on to score other dramatic goals for Chelsea, but he did not stay long. Early in the 1947-48 season

he surprisingly joined Notts County, of the third division south, in the first E20,000 transfer. Subsequently, he moved to Brentford, in 1952, Arsenal in 1953 and to Kettering Town as player-manager in 1955. In 1957, he returned to Notes County as a manager but lasted only a year. In 390 League appearances, he scored 231 goals and won a championship medal with Everton in 1939, scoring 34 goals in 38 matches.

How ironic that, today, such a centre forward, who seemed to hang in the air, weightless for his headers, would cost and make millions. Lawton, on retirement, slid into poverty and even appeared in court for various minor offences. He was leniently treated. Life itself, after all, had been less lenient to him.



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